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Vancouver Coun. Kerry Jang holds up a shark fin after using it as a prop during a city council meeting on Tuesday. Jang showed the fin in an effort to kick off a ban on the sale of shark fins in the Lower Mainland. City council unanimously decided to work with neighbouring municipalities to implement a region-wide ban on shark fins. Story, page 3. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Motion passes

City seeking region-wide ban on shark fins

Vancouver city staff has been asked by council to try to work with Burnaby, Richmond and maybe Surrey toward a simultaneous, region-wide ban on shark fins.

Spearheading councillor Kerry Jang, who readily admits he served shark-fin soup at his own wedding, said the purpose of his motion is to allay some restaurateurs' fears that bans in their cities will only drive the demand elsewhere.

His motion passed unanimously at city hall on Tuesday.

"A ban on shark fin is not an attack on a culture or a tradition, but really it's a recognition of an ethical issue that affects all of us, no matter who you are or where you're from," Jang said. "The whole purpose of shark fin is to say, 'I honour you, you're a great guy, only the best for you'; however, times have changed quite a bit."

Jang alleged that serving shark-fin soup is more about showing off wealth and prestige these days than it is about honouring guests. "There are so many things you can do to say, 'You're special and you're important' without this," he said.

Brandishing two shark fins he scavenged from his mother's closet, Jang said the price of fins has climbed sky-high since they were given to her as a gift several decades ago, because of overfishing and the "barbaric" practice of finning.

International animal-rights groups estimate that up to 73 million sharks are killed each year, mostly for their fins. The sharks are dumped back into the oceans after their fins are cut off, leaving them to die slow and painful deaths.

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The Kitsilano Coast Guard station. METRO FILE

Kits Coast Guard closure would shift burden onto city, according to report

Concerns. Fire chief says 'short-sighted' move would mean unfair change in role and responsibility of city's marine fireboats

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Vancouver city council is demanding a meeting with the prime minister over the slated closure of the Kitsilano Coast Guard station.

The closure would shift the burden to respond to marine emergencies onto fire and police boats and leave safety gaps, according to a report presented to Vancouver city council Tuesday.

Deputy city manager Sadhu Johnston said while the federal government is legally respon-

sible for marine search and rescue, the closure would stretch the resources of the police and fire departments beyond the scope of their mandates.

"We have a 'vessel of opportunity' obligation to support if we are the vessel closest during an emergency," Johnston explained. "So per the Canada Shipping Act and international law, every vessel within proximity of a vessel in distress is required to assist."

Vancouver fire Chief John McKearney said that means the closure would signal an unfair change in the role and responsibility of the city's two marine fireboats, which are only intended to respond to fires. He said he plans to send a letter expressing his opposition to the Prime Minister's Office.

"I think it's short-sighted," McKearney said. "People generally, whether they're the first responders or they're citizens, they will do their utmost to save lives, and sometimes that's

at their peril, and that's our concern."

The report found the closure would translate into a 25 per cent cut in coast guard staff and a drop from six to four vessels available 24 hours a day in the 64-kilometre radius around Vancouver. The Kits station responds to 75 to 100 calls per year in which lives are in danger or potentially in danger. If it closes, all of those calls will become the responsibility of the Sea Island Coast Guard station in Richmond, which is at least 30 minutes away by boat.

The report notes the VPD marine squad often responds to crime calls on the water, but has no paramedic skills.

Staff on fireboats are trained as emergency medical assistants and some are trained to do water rescues, but McKearney said his department does not have the resources to fill in the void that would be left by the Kits station's 12 full-time staff.

The federal government's

plan is to establish a rescue team for the summer months staffed by six post-secondary students and to make further investments in the Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue volunteer organization.

But the city report says two-thirds of serious calls to the Kits station happen during the off-season, when the post-secondary rescue team wouldn't be in operation.

The feds expect to close the station by spring.

A spokesperson for the minister of fisheries and oceans would not say whether Keith Ashfield planned to meet with Vancouver's mayor and council, but did state that the coast guard held a series of meetings over the summer to ease transition and said the city was included in those meetings.

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Hwy. 1. Canada Post truck impounded for speeding

A Canada Post delivery truck was impounded by police after it was caught speeding Monday in West Vancouver while making deliveries.

A traffic officer stopped the postal worker on Highway 1 at around 11:30 a.m. for allegedly travelling at 135 kilometres an hour in a 90-km/h zone.

The 1995 Chevrolet postal van has been impounded for seven days and the contents were transferred to a second postal truck.

Cpl. Fred Harding said this is the first time they've encountered a speeding postal truck.

He also noted that many people are still not paying attention despite costly penalty tickets and impound legislation.

According to the West Vancouver Police Department, it has impounded 302 vehicles for a variety of offences this year alone. Excessive speeding fines range from \$368-\$463.

"Driving is a privilege and it's not a right," Harding said. "We all play a role in making



A Canada Post delivery truck is towed in West Vancouver.
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sure that ourselves and our families are kept safer."

Canada Post spokesperson Anick Losier said that the mail in the truck was delivered on time that day.

"Obviously we do not condone breaking the law and our employees are very well aware of the rules of the road and they're expected to follow it," she said. "We are dealing with this matter internally."

PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

Robbery

Jeep smashed into mall for jewelry

A group of thieves in Burnaby used a stolen Jeep to crash through Metrotown.

Video of the incident, which occurred early Friday when the mall was closed, shows a janitor scampering out of the way as the Jeep barrels through the north doors and crashes into the a jewelry store. The vehicle smashes into a second jewelry store and pulls a U-turn. According to police, four men targeted display cases with only the most expensive items. **METRO**

Burrard Street Bridge

Suspects sought in daytime shooting

Vancouver police are investigating a daytime shooting after pulling over a bullet-riddled vehicle on the Burrard Street Bridge.

Police were called to the 1300 block of Jarvis Street just before 3 p.m. Tuesday after several witnesses reported hearing gunshots.

Officers found shell casings in the alley but no trace of the suspects or intended target. VPD believe they found the target after pulling over the car on the bridge. **METRO**



NDP Leader Adrian Dix prepares to address the Vancouver Board of Trade at a luncheon in Vancouver Tuesday. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Dix doesn't placate business audience

Show of support. About one-third of attendees give NDP leader standing ovation after luncheon speech



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Opposition Leader Adrian Dix used his opportunity to address Vancouver's business community by standing firm on the pillars of his election strategy.

Instead of catering to the business-minded audience at

Tuesday's Vancouver Board of Trade luncheon, Dix re-emphasized that his No. 1 priority if elected premier in next year's election will be education and job training, and that he will return corporate taxes to 2008 levels and bring back provincial taxes on banks to pay for his initiatives.

He argued the moves would boost B.C.'s productivity and help put the province on stable financial footing.

During a 45-minute speech, Christy Clark's political challenger also restated his intention to pull out of the National Energy Board's joint review panel into Enbridge's

proposed Northern Gateway pipeline project and launch a separate, provincially led environmental assessment.

"I set out today what my priorities were for British Columbia," Dix told media.

"I want to work closely with people across B.C., and that includes the business community ... to make sure we continue to achieve our goals as a province. It's about understanding there is an enormous amount we have in common and as well as some things we disagree about."

Liberal Health Minister Margaret MacDiarmid said that while Dix is clear on select issues, the NDP stance

on countless others remains unknown.

"Elections are about choices and I currently don't feel like I know what the choices are," MacDiarmid said of the NDP platform.

"There are a number of priorities that are there that have been talked about in other speeches and we really need to know how those would be paid for."

"I really think the corporations will be stepping up now and talking about what does it mean for them in terms of being competitive to have taxation increase and what are the consequences," she added.

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War resister marks his third year in a Vancouver church

Conscientious objector. Ex-soldier vows to continue fight to remain in Canada



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"It feels like a prison."

That's how American war resister Rodney Watson describes spending the last three years in a local church, without the freedom even to go out to the mall or the park with his wife and son.

He took sanctuary at First United Church in the Downtown Eastside after Canadian immigration officials ordered him deported in September 2009.

Watson, who faces a dishonourable discharge and possibly more than a year in military prison if he is deported, has not set foot out of the church in all this time for

fear of being separated from his Canadian wife and three-year-old son, Jordan.

"All the gunshots, all the violence I've seen in my life didn't faze me, but this really fazed me and worries me," he said on Tuesday, marking his third anniversary of living in the church.

Watson was deployed to Iraq in 2005 after joining the U.S. army as a cook, but he said he ended up "searching vehicles for weapons and explosives, detaining people and putting guns to their heads."

He said he questioned being in Iraq after seeing what he described as the racist and violent treatment of Iraqi civilians by American soldiers and concluded the troops were "not fighting for freedom, but for big corporations."

When he was ordered back to Iraq, he fled to Canada in 2006 and has been living in a one-bedroom apartment in the church.

"It really troubles my heart knowing that I didn't commit any real crime," he said. "I didn't murder anyone, rape anyone or beat anyone up. I'm just here because I didn't agree with what I saw of the Iraq war when I was there."

Meanwhile, Iraq war veteran and resister Kimberly Rivera, who lives in Toronto, is facing deportation on Thursday.

"I know what she's feeling right now," Watson said. "I really sympathize with her and her family."

Watson, one of an estimated 40 U.S. war resisters in Canada, said he has faith that his story will have a happy ending and he will continue to fight his legal battle to remain in the country.

"I'm not going to keep silent," he said. "I'm going to keep on speaking out and raising my voice."

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American war resister Rodney Watson took sanctuary at First United Church in the Downtown Eastside and has not left the property for the past three years. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

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'Volunteer' stole from Pride and Taiwanese fests: Police

Volunteers are the heart of every civic festival, but Vancouver police say one of them may not have had a heart of gold this summer.

More than \$9,000 in cash was stolen from the Vancouver Pride Society and another \$3,000 was snatched during the Vancouver Taiwanese Festival, VPD spokesperson Sgt. Randy Fincham told the media on Tuesday.

Police are seeking a woman who volunteered at

both festivals using a false name.

"We need help to identify the woman," Fincham said. "We have been unable to contact her with the information provided (to the festival organizers). We need to speak to this lady. We don't know what her role is, if any."

The investigation is ongoing and police are pleading for anyone with information to contact them.

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Police want to talk to this woman about two thefts from festivals this summer. CONTRIBUTED

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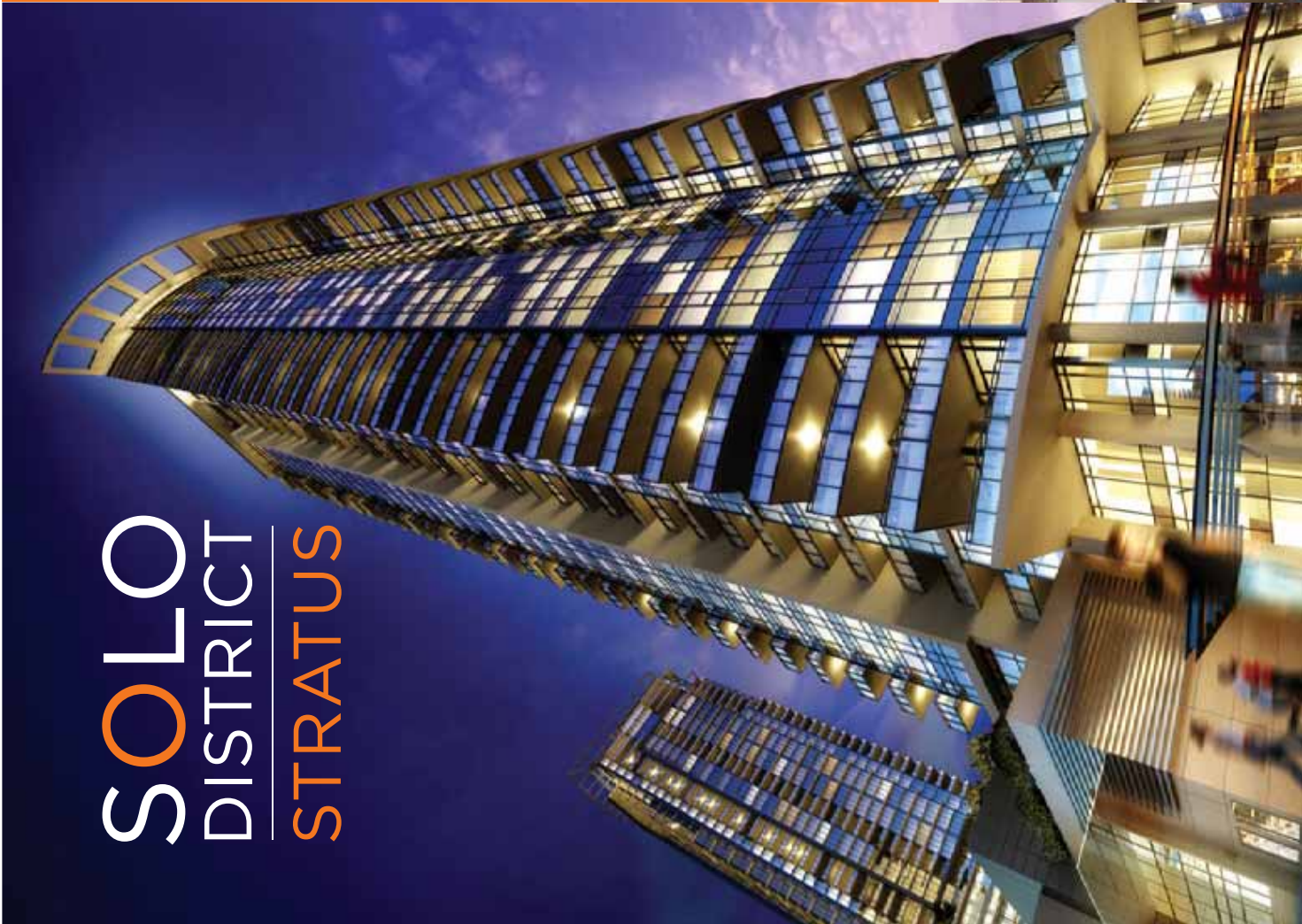
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England

Fugitive allegedly kills two officers

Two unarmed officers were gunned down by a wanted fugitive in the Manchester area of northern England on Tuesday, police alleged.

Chief Const. Peter Fahy says that Fiona Bone — a 32-year-old who was planning her wedding — and Nicola Hughes, 23, died shortly after the gunman opened fire and set off a grenade in Hattersley, a suburb about 16 kilometres from central Manchester.

The man alleged to have carried out the killings, 29-year-old Dale Cregan, surrendered at a local police station shortly after the incident and was booked on suspicion of murder. Cregan had already been the focus of a manhunt as a suspect in two murders last month.

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Discovery

Ancient text refers to Jesus's wife

A Harvard University professor has unveiled a fourth-century fragment of papyrus that she says is the only existing ancient text that quotes Jesus explicitly referring to having a wife.

Karen King, an expert in the history of Christianity, says the text contains a dialogue in which Jesus refers to "my wife," whom he identified as Mary. King says the fragment of Coptic script is a copy of a gospel, probably written in Greek in the second century.

King unveiled the fragment of the "Gospel of Jesus's Wife" in Rome on Tuesday. She says it doesn't prove Jesus was married but speaks to issues of family that faced Christians.

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Labour dispute

Chicago teachers to return to classes

Chicago's teachers agreed Tuesday to return to the classroom after more than a week on the picket lines, ending a spiteful stalemate with Mayor Rahm Emanuel that put teacher evaluations and job security at the centre of a national debate about the future of public education.

Union delegates voted to formally suspend the strike after discussing details of a proposed contract settlement worked out over the weekend. Classes could resume as early as Wednesday.

The contract will now be submitted to a vote by the full membership of more than 25,000 teachers.

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Official mulls regulation for parties' voter databanks

The federal election watchdog is examining whether regulations are needed to control the use — and abuse — of the voter-identification databanks assembled by political parties.

Chief electoral officer Marc Mayrand acknowledged Tuesday that technology has enabled politicians to communicate with and engage voters more easily.

But it's also had a downside, as the so-called robocall affair has exposed.

Elections Canada has received almost 1,400 complaints from voters who say they received automated calls misdirecting them to polling stations for the 2011 election.

Court documents have revealed that the ongoing investigation appears to centre on

the Ontario riding of Guelph, though the agency has received complaints from voters in 234 of the country's 308 federal ridings.

Mayrand says he'll report to Parliament by the end of March with recommendations on how to improve election law to prevent the abuse of technology, such as automated phone messages. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Ontario. Cash trail trips up alleged thief

Windsor, Ont., police arrested an alleged thief on Sunday after following a trail of loose change from a cash drawer.

Police were called to a business at around 6:30 a.m. An employee had heard the sound of glass breaking at the front of the building and decided to investigate. When he got there, he saw a man with a cash drawer from the register. The man ran into the parking lot, got on the employee's bicycle and fled the scene.

The employee tried to chase after him but stopped after being threatened.

A short time later, a witness called to report that they'd seen a man riding a bicycle and hold-



A trail of change led police in Windsor, Ont., to an alleged thief. **THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE**

ing a cash drawer. The witness saw the man run into a home

with loose change falling out of the drawer along the way, according to police.

When officers arrived, they found change littering the front of the home. Police were speaking to the homeowner at the front door when another resident emerged to tell officers someone was hiding in a bedroom closet.

Police headed inside and found a man hiding under a sheet in a closet, with the cash drawer in hand.

Donald Meloche, 42, is charged with break-and-enter, theft, uttering threats, possession of stolen property and unlawfully being in a dwelling. **PHOEBE HO/FOR METRO**



Diane Klich, who attempted to cycle across Canada to raise money for children with cancer but broke her collarbone, is undeterred. **ALEXSANDRA SAGAN/FOR METRO**

Hurt cyclist still eager to go that extra mile for kids

Cross-Canada ride.

Woman suffered broken collarbone while raising money for cancer research

Diane Klich was supposed to be cycling another gruelling leg of a 7,000-km journey across Canada today, raising money for children with cancer. Instead, she ended up in hospital after a road accident ended her ride.

While the crash broke her collarbone, her spirit remains intact and she is determined to continue fundraising and eventually finish the trip.

"Me going through one surgery at the age of 37 and my first broken bone is nothing in comparison to what these kids go through," said Klich, her right arm tightly fastened to her chest. "They go through hundreds of treatments and surgeries. Their childhoods are robbed from them."

A newbie cyclist, Klich embarked on the ride with more than 20 others after she realized how cancer has affected so many people in her life. She trained all summer for the 17-day event. But last Friday near Sudbury, Ont., two men in her tightly travelling pack fell in front of her.

"I knew I was going down," she said. "There wasn't a lot of wiggle room where I was."

She suffered a compound fracture in her collarbone and was forced to return home and await surgery. All this, one week before she was due to cross the finish line in Halifax.

Although she was devastated to abandon the once-in-a-lifetime ride, she says, she knew she had achieved her

Race 101

- Thirty-one national riders signed up to bike across Canada from Sept. 5 to 21.
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primary goal.

"We were out there to raise awareness and we were out there to raise money, and I did both of those things."

Each national rider is responsible for raising \$25,000 for the Coast to Coast Against Cancer Foundation. The organization donates 100 per cent of the proceeds to fund cancer research at Canada's pediatric facilities.

So far, Klich has raised more than \$73,000 and she is not ready to stop. She has organized two "Inside Ride" events at schools in the fall where kids will cycle on stationary bikes. The proceeds will be added to her fundraising total. Next year, she hopes to complete another four-day cycling event for the organization.

There is also the possibility of "finishing" the cross-Canada cycle next summer, she says. Relay racers often join the other riders for shorter portions of the journey. Klich is considering cycling the Barrie, Ont.-to-Halifax leg next year — the portion her injury derailed her from.

ALEXSANDRA SAGAN/FOR METRO

Turbaned Tornado. Sikh senior, 101, to run in 5K

A 101-year-old who holds the honour of being the world's oldest marathon runner will make his way to the first-ever Surrey International World Music Marathon festivities taking place Sept. 28 to 30.

Fauja Singh, a British citizen nicknamed the "Turbaned Tornado," will participate in the mayor's 5K walk/run alongside Surrey Mayor Dianne Watts and a group of city councillors.

"Fauja is a recognized athlete in Canada because he was the first person to do a marathon at 100 years of age last year in Toronto and is now coming back to do it at 101," race director Tim Hopkins said.

Singh, who was born on a farm in India and moved to London in 1992, became



Centenarian Sikh runner Fauja Singh poses for pictures after being the first person to enter for next year's Edinburgh Marathon in Scotland. JEFF J MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES

the first 100-year-old to run a marathon at Toronto's waterfront run last year. **METRO**

Crime

Restaurant robbery foiled

A Good Samaritan is being credited with bringing down a suspect in a Subway restaurant robbery in Vancouver on Monday.

Police allege a robber entered the restaurant

at 100 W. Hastings St. at 8 a.m. Monday morning, jumped over the counter and grabbed cash from the till before trying to make a getaway.

The suspect might have gotten away had it not been for a customer who gave chase outside the restaurant and subdued him until police arrived. **METRO**

Big-time Beckham



A statue of English soccer player David Beckham is displayed in Los Angeles. DAMIAN DOVARGANES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Statue stunt. H&M partners with soccer stud on a bodywear line and brands Canadian cities with colossal statues

David Beckham is heading to a trio of Canadian cities — in statue form.

The larger-than-life versions of the English soccer star will appear in Vancouver, as well as Montreal and Toronto, as part of a "statue stunt" with H&M.

The Swedish fast-fashion retailer partnered with Beckham on a bodywear line and is marking the launch of a new ad campaign with the statues, which stand about 6.7 metres tall.

The towering Beckhams will be on display at the Pacific Centre in Vancouver, the Eaton Centre in Toronto and inside the Montreal H&M at Peel and Sainte-Catherine Streets beginning Tuesday until Sept. 23.

New York and Los Angeles previously played host to

Quoted

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David Beckham

their own Beckham statues, which showcased the soccer star in his skivvies.

New products will be added to the collection later this fall.

Beckham told The Associated Press last month that he's pleased with consumer reaction to the line and its ad campaign.

"I'm very happy that so far people seem to like it and the first season was incredibly successful. The challenge is to keep it going and establish a brand that will last many years. That is my ambition," he wrote in an email.

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Ruling. Man who killed B.C. family denied parole

A man convicted of murdering an entire family from B.C. has been denied parole.

The National Parole Board has determined after a hearing at Bowden prison, north of Calgary, that David Shearing is not ready for release.

Shearing, who now goes by his mother's maiden name of Ennis, shot and killed George and Edith Bentley, their daughter Jackie and her husband, Bob Johnson, while the family was on a camping trip in interior B.C. in 1982.

He kept the Johnsons'

By the numbers

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David Shearing is eligible to apply for parole every two years.

daughters Janet, 13, and Karen, 11, alive for almost a week and sexually assaulted them before taking them into the woods, one at a time, and killing them, too.

Shearing had already been denied parole once before.

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Politics. Tory faction challenging Cummins

Opposing factions are taking sides over John Cummins' leadership of the B.C. Conservatives ahead of the party's annual general meeting this Saturday.

A group calling itself Friends of the B.C. Conservative Party is running a seven-member slate for the party's executive positions and wants a review of Cummins' leadership.

Ben Besler says he's running

for party president as part of the Friends of the B.C. Conservative Party slate.

The group called Friends of John Cummins is urging members to reject a review, which would force Cummins to step down immediately and launch a leadership contest.

Cummins says he expects party members to turn down the leadership-review option.

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Peachland fire response up to snuff: Early review

Record. Ministry confirms timeline of response to forest blaze

The first water-dropping helicopter was en route to a fast-moving forest fire in the Okanagan Valley nearly half an hour after it was first reported, according to a timeline compiled by the provincial government, which says an initial review has found the response was fast and well co-ordinated.

The fire started in high winds just outside of Peachland on Sept. 9, causing 1,500 residents to flee, and destroying four houses.

Newly-released recordings of RCMP radio dispatches detailed the initial response, as Mounties on the ground called for help and at times appeared frustrated that firefighters were not on the scene sooner.

But the B.C. Forests Ministry says though its review largely confirmed the account gleaned from the audio recordings, it also indicates the response by provincial firefighters was ap-



Fire retardant marks Adrian and Maggie Dawson's property as their dog, Roy, walks down the driveway after a wildfire moved through the area in nearby Peachland on Sept. 11. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

propriate in the circumstances.

"An initial review by all responding agencies shows an excellent co-ordinated response. The ministry has received numerous compliments for its fast response to this fire," the ministry said in a fact sheet released this week.

"Given the aggressive behaviour of this wildfire, public and first-responder safety was of paramount importance. No

injuries were reported during this incident."

The fire was first reported at 2:55 p.m. on Sept. 9, and emergency officials quickly confirmed it was just outside the jurisdiction of Peachland's volunteer fire department, leaving the initial response to the provincial wildfire-management branch.

A forest officer was in a truck driving to the scene by

3:10, according to the ministry timeline.

By 3:22, about 27 minutes after the fire was first reported, the first water-dropping helicopter was in the air and en route. The chopper's travel time to the fire was estimated to be about five minutes.

At roughly the same time, a duty officer with the Peachland Fire Department responded.

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Surgery. Doctors claim first mother-daughter uterus transplant

Two Swedish women are hoping to get pregnant after undergoing what doctors are calling the world's first mother-to-daughter uterus transplants.

Specialists at the University of Goteborg said they performed the surgery over the weekend without complications but added that they won't consider it successful unless the women give birth to healthy children.

"That's the best proof," said Michael Olausson, one of the surgeons.

One of the unidentified women had her uterus removed many years ago be-

Past procedures

- **Unsuccessful.** In 2000, doctors in Saudi Arabia transplanted a uterus from a live donor, but it had to be removed three months later because of a blood clot.

cause of cervical cancer, while the other was born without a womb. Both are in their 30s.

They will undergo a year of observation before doctors attempt to help them get pregnant via in vitro fertilization. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Anti-corruption

Cops search McGill University offices

Quebec's anti-corruption squad searched the offices of the McGill University Health Centre on Tuesday looking for information related to the awarding of a contract for a new super hospital. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Mexico

Three inmates in tunnel escape found

Officials said Tuesday they have found three inmates thought to have escaped through a tunnel at a northern Mexico border prison, lowering the number of escaped prisoners to 129. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

William and Kate win court case over topless photos



Prince William, Duke of Cambridge, and Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, drink coconut milk on Tuesday from a tree planted by the Queen in 1982 in the Polynesian island nation of Tuvalu. ARTHUR EDWARDS/GETTY IMAGES

Too late. The photos are already on the Internet and have been published in France, Italy and Ireland

Prince William and Kate's aggressive legal strategy over topless photos of Britain's likely future queen is the first salvo in what could be a decades-long tug-of-war over their family's privacy.

A French court ruled in favour of the royal couple on Tuesday in their fight over the photos, but the scope of that ruling will be limited.

The unauthorized topless photos of Kate have

In the public realm

"Thousands, now tens of thousands, of copies are now in public circulation."

Christopher Mesnooh, American lawyer in France

already been widely published in France, Italy, Ireland and on the Internet — lessening the impact of Tuesday's court injunction against future publication inside France.

The revealing pictures will follow Middleton for the rest of her life — not unlike the snapshots of her appearance in a charity fashion show wearing black lingerie and a sheer dress during her university days.

"Clearly, the harm has been done," said Christopher Mesnooh, an American lawyer working in France for Field Fisher Waterhouse.

"Thousands, now tens of thousands, of copies are now in public circulation."

"A legal decision is a wonderful thing to obtain, and the royal couple did exactly what they should have done."

"But you know the magazine is out there and I suspect most of you have already seen copies of that magazine, so the basic, the initial harm, has been done."

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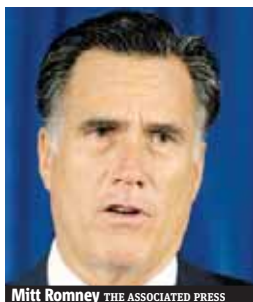
Romney fires back: 'People would like to be paying taxes'

Video leak. Republican explains his remarks about 'dependent' voters, while footage of him claiming Palestinians have no interest in Mideast peace surfaces

Another day, another disaster for Mitt Romney's presidential campaign.

A day after an undercover video that shows him deriding Barack Obama voters as government freeloaders and life-long victims, additional footage of the Republican telling donors that Palestinians "have no interest" in peace with Israel and suggesting that efforts at Mideast peace under his administration would languish surfaced on Tuesday morning.

The video clips were both posted on the website of Moth-



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er Jones magazine. The magazine said they are both from a \$50,000-a-plate fundraiser in Boca Raton, Fla., on May 17.

In the latest clip, Romney said Palestinians are "committed to the destruction and elimination of Israel" and that the prospects for a two-state solution to Mideast peace were dim.

"You hope for some degree of stability, but you recognize that this is going to remain an unsolved problem, and we

kick the ball down the field and hope that ultimately, somehow, something will happen and resolve it," Romney said.

Romney has not addressed his remarks about the Middle East but he appeared on Fox News to try to explain his remarks about the 47 per cent of Americans who don't pay income tax — most of whom because they don't make enough money.

"I do believe that we should have enough jobs and enough take-home pay such that people have the privilege of higher incomes that allow them to be paying taxes," Romney said Tuesday. "I think people would like to be paying taxes."

Not surprisingly, Obama's re-election team pounced.

"It's hard to serve as president for all Americans when you've disdainfully written off half the nation," said Obama campaign manager Jim Messina. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Obama praises WNBA champions as role models

U.S. President Barack Obama pauses as he speaks during a ceremony honouring WNBA champion Minnesota Lynx on Tuesday in the East Room of the White House in Washington D.C. It's been nearly a year since the Lynx won the championship, but the team's visit was delayed by the Summer Olympics and Obama's busy schedule. Obama told team members they are great ambassadors for the game and strong role models for his own daughters. PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2012 presidential race

O'Reilly, Stewart ready to debate

Pick your pundit when Bill O'Reilly and Jon Stewart face off for a special 90-minute debate about the 2012 presidential race.

The host of Fox News Channel's *The O'Reilly Factor* and the anchor of Comedy Central's fake newscast *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart have announced they will clash in the Oct. 6 event, dubbed *The Rumble in the Air-Conditioned Auditorium*. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Arizona

Judge allows police to question immigration status

A judge has ruled that police in Arizona can immediately start enforcing the most contentious section of the state's immigration law, marking the first time officers can carry out a requirement of questioning the immigration status of those suspected of being in the country illegally while enforcing other laws. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tubby time! U.S. obesity stats expected to balloon

The fatty forecast. By 2030, half the people in 39 American states will be obese, two groups predict

He's fat and clearly unfit.

Is the man on the right the face of America in the first half of the 21st century?

He could be, according to experts campaigning against obesity.

They predict that by 2030 more than half the people in 39 U.S. states will be obese — not merely overweight, but obese.

Mississippi is expected to retain its crown as the fattest

state in the nation for at least two more decades.

The report predicts 67 per cent of that state's adults will be obese by 2030. That would be an astounding increase from Mississippi's current 35 per cent obesity rate.

The data were released on Tuesday by the Trust for America's Health and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The dismal forecast goes beyond the 42 per cent national obesity level that federal health officials project by 2030.

Trust for America's Health officials said their projections are based in part on state-by-state surveys by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention from 1999 through 2010.

But their outlook suggests that even in the thinnest state — Colorado, where about one-fifth of residents are obese — 45 per cent are predicted to be obese by 2030. That means that every state would have an obesity rate higher than 44 per cent.

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A dieter? Fat chance. This man walking beside a pool in Brooklyn, N.Y., clearly won't appear in the pages of a fitness magazine. But he may be a common sight in 21st-century America. MARIO TAMA/GETTY IMAGES

Suspect. Does BPA make kids fat? Experts see a link — but can't prove it

A U.S. study suggests a connection between the BPA chemical used in food packaging and childhood obesity.

But researchers say the findings don't prove it's the cause.

While most people have traces of BPA in their bodies, the study found that children with the highest levels were twice as likely to be obese as those with the lowest.

Other factors — unhealthy diet and poor physical activity — could cause obesity, said lead author Dr. Leonardo Trasande of New York Univer-

Bisphenol A

BPA is used to make hard plastics for food and beverage containers and for metal can linings.

- **Fears.** Some experts say it interferes with children's development. Makers of baby bottles have stopped using it.

sity. BPA, or bisphenol A, has been used since the 1960s.

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10 hours in suitcase

Case closed: Cat came back safely

A U.S. woman says the pet cat that sneaked into her luggage for a flight to Florida has returned home to Ohio safely.

Ethel Maze says Bob-Bob the cat spent 10 hours in a suitcase before she opened it last week.

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Ethel Maze holds Bob-Bob, who sneaked into a suitcase she was packing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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HEIGHTENED EXPERIENCE: RIDE THE BEST ROLLER-COASTER

The X2 wing-shaped roller-coaster at Six Flags Magic Mountain in California

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Sky diving is **definitely** not for sissies. You are up more **than** 10,000 feet, outfitted in all the **special** gear, and once the pilot reaches the "drop zone," you simply walk out of the door of **the** plane... and free fall for more than a **minute**. Then it's time to pull the cord and **open** the parachute ... and float down to **Earth**.

"Free-falling is a combination of sheer excitement **and** crazed amazement at viewing the **world** from the sky."

PUSHING BOUNDARIES: DIVE INTO A BLOWHOLE

Blowhole diving is a rush — **literally**. You jump or **dive** into a **naturally** created hole or crevice in rock and **then** let your body get **sucked** by the current **out** into the ocean. The more **advanced** blowholes in Hawaii carry you **through** tunnels forged over thousands of years of **erosion**. First-timers, pack **your** bags for Laguna Beach.

"Sun, sand — and a blowhole. It doesn't get any **better** than that."

Death toll over anti-Islam film rises as unrest continues

Demos, riots, bomb.
U.S.-produced film depicts Muhammad as a fraud, womanizer and pedophile

Al-Qaida's branch in North Africa on Tuesday called for attacks on U.S. diplomats and an escalation of protests against an anti-Islam video that was produced in the United States and triggered a wave of demonstrations and riots in the Middle East and beyond.

While demonstrations have tapered off in nations including Egypt and Tunisia, protests against the film turned violent in Pakistan and Indian-controlled Kashmir and hundreds of people rallied in Indonesia and Thailand. Some 400 people protested peacefully outside the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok.

Protest fatalities rise

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Twelve more protesters died in riots in several countries, bringing the total number of deaths linked to the film to at least 28. That includes Christopher Stevens, the U.S. ambassador to Libya, and three other Americans killed in an attack there.

Thailand's capital. Protesters carried signs and banners saying, "We love Prophet Muhammad" and "Stop insulting our religion," and chanted, "Down with America" and "Down with Israel."

In Kabul a suicide bomber rammed a car packed with explosives into a mini-bus carrying South African aviation workers to the airport, killing at least 12 people in an attack that a militant group said was revenge for the film Innocence of Muslims, which was made by an Egyptian-born American citizen.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai said the attack killed eight South Africans, three Afghans and a Kyrgyzstani.

In Indonesia, about 200 people from various Islamic groups torched an American flag and tires outside the U.S. Consulate in the third largest city of Medan. Some unfurled banners saying, "Go to hell America."

Appearing on David Letterman's show Tuesday night U.S. President Barack Obama said the filmmaker behind the anti-Islam film is a "shadowy character."

The president added that Ambassador Stevens was beloved by a vast majority of Libyans.

U.S. officials describe the video as offensive, but the American government's protection of free speech rights has clashed with the anger of Muslims abroad. Google has blocked access to the video in Libya, Egypt, Indonesia and India. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Jordan

Law puts online expression at risk: Critics

Jordan's king has endorsed a controversial new media law that critics say could severely stifle online expression.

The law requires 400 news websites operated by Jordanians to register with the government and obtain licences. It also gives authorities the power to block and censor the sites, and holds publishers and editors liable for posted comments.

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Egypt

Teacher jailed for Facebook posting

A court in southern Egypt has sentenced a Coptic Christian teacher to six years in prison for posting on his Facebook page drawings that it ruled insulted the Prophet Muhammad and comments deemed offensive to the country's president. Beshoi el-Behiri had denied the charges. The court case predates the public anger that was triggered by a movie produced by a Copt living in the United States.

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Clashes in Jerusalem

Masked Palestinians help another man during clashes with Israeli security forces, not pictured, in Shuafat refugee camp in Jerusalem, on Tuesday. Clashes erupted after a demonstration against a film produced in the United States that ridicules the Prophet Muhammad.

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Dubai's iconic Burj Khalifa skyscraper — standing more than 828 metres tall with more than 160 storeys — towers over the city's modern skyline. ALI ZAFAR/METRO

Freedom of speech meets an Orwellian reproach inside a Middle East newsroom, as Metro copy editor Ali Zafar discovered while working as a reporter for an English-language paper in Dubai

UAE decree widens gulf between news, propaganda



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As a Canadian journalist heading to the Middle East to work for a local newspaper, I expected to face some censorship.

But I got more than I bargained for when I left my post in April as a copy editor for Metro in Toronto to take up a four-month-long stint as a city reporter for the Khaleej Times, an English-language newspaper in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE).

It began with paragraphs of text conspicuously missing from a story I wrote citing reports that the Saudi Grand Mufti, Sheikh Abdulaziz Al al-Shaikh, the highest authority on Islamic affairs in neighbouring Saudi Arabia, called for the destruction of all churches in the Arabian Peninsula, which is where the UAE is located.

"The grand mufti is off limits," one of the editors told me when I approached him with my story in shambles.

I quickly learned that the mufti wasn't the only subject matter I was to never write about.

The UAE's territorial dis-

pute with Iran — located across the Persian Gulf — over the ownership of several islands also led to a clamp-down on stories.

Suddenly, we weren't allowed to call the body of water straddling the UAE the Persian Gulf anymore, as it has been referred to for more than 2,000 years.

It's the Arabian Gulf.

And punishment for misusing the term was swift: We'd be likely fired and subsequently deported as everyone in the newsroom at the time was an expatriate. Unfortunately, a web editor who accidentally let the term Persian Gulf pass through on an online story was put on leave without pay.

I didn't see him in the newsroom again.

If getting rid of the online editor didn't hit home the message, an email — written in all-caps — sent out by the executive editor (also an expatriate) to the entire newsroom made it clear to "NEVER EVER USE THE PERSIAN GULF. It is always ARABIAN GULF."

The email went on to say that "nothing derogatory about the UAE should be allowed to appear at any cost," in the online comments section of the newspaper.

Reporters were also told to "not write stories that will damage the image of the UAE." I was stunned.

It had only been a bit over a month since my move to Dubai and here I was feeling like Winston from George Orwell's 1984.

I began seeing Dubai in a different light while driving home that day.

Everything had an Orwellian aura to it, from Dubai Ruler Sheikh Mohammed's massive portraits plastered across the city, to the unflinching and often forced love the majority of Emiratis — the locals of the UAE — have for their country's leaders.

This archaic sense of freedom of expression sharply contrasts with Dubai's over-the-top modernity, which is characterized by superlatives.

The world's biggest mall and tallest building are located in Dubai, not to mention the plethora of glistening skyscrapers rising out of the desert.

But while the city's appearance has launched it well into the 21st century, its lack of freedom of speech leaves a void that makes you wonder if all the glitz is nothing more than a mirage in the sand.



Women walk through one of Old Dubai's many souks, or markets, which sharply contrast with the city's state-of-the-art malls. ALI ZAFAR/METRO

Facts about UAE & Dubai

- While the UAE is conservative compared to the West, it's noticeably more progressive than its neighbour Saudi Arabia. Women are allowed to drive in the UAE and there are several churches and Hindu temples.
- The state religion is Islam and Arabic is the official language, although you can get by on English and, on many occasions, Urdu or Hindi in the urban centres.
- Alcohol is served in most tourist hot spots and you often hear the Islamic call to prayer not far from the blaring sound of the many nightclubs in Dubai.
- UAE is composed of seven emirates or states, with each emirate having its own monarch or sheikh.
- The country was formed on Dec. 2, 1971, by the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, considered to be the founding father of the UAE.



- The latest statistics show the UAE has a population of 8.19 million, with 16.5 per cent, or nearly a million of them, Emiratis — making it a country overtaken by expatriates.
- Although there is no legal dress code in the UAE, there has been a recent push by Emiratis to call for more stringent rules on what's deemed appropriate public attire. It's recommended for women to keep arms covered to the elbows, avoid low-cut tops, and wear skirts below the knee. Men should never be bare-chested on city streets and need to avoid wearing sleeveless shirts. At the beach, however, these rules don't apply as you'll see both men and women in swimwear.
- Public displays of affection are frowned upon and a kiss on the lips can lead you to the police station. There have been cases of couples being jailed, fined and subsequently deported for kissing in public.

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Trading up

Apple stock hits \$700 US milestone

Apple's stock reached \$700 US for the first time on Tuesday, setting a record for the company the day after it announced that orders for its iPhone 5 topped two million in the first 24 hours.

The stock traded as high as \$701.44 US in the morning, up a quarter of a per cent from Monday's close. It later fell slightly. It had come within 20 cents of \$700 on Monday. The rally in Apple's stock price puts the company's market value at \$656 billion.

The \$700 mark is somewhat of an arbitrary milestone for Apple's stock, representing little more than a nice round number and a record high trading level. The company, after all, already enjoys the distinction as the world's most valuable public company ever. Google Inc., its Silicon Valley neighbour, saw its stock price surpass \$700 in 2007.

On Tuesday, Google's stock was trading at \$715.24. But the online search leader's market capitalization is well below Apple's at \$234.1 billion.

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Pizza parlour's ploy: Just add museum

Brian Dwyer displays his tattoo at Pizza Brain in Philadelphia last week. Hundreds of people turned out for the grand opening of Pizza Brain, a restaurant where visitors can eat a slice or two of artisan pie while gawking at items from Dwyer's massive collection of pizza-related photos, records, knickknacks and videos. MATT ROURKE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sluggish outlook. Canada's economy has entered 'soft patch': TD Bank forecast

Canada's economy has entered a "soft patch" characterized by a housing correction, below trend growth and weak job creation, TD Bank says in its latest forecast.

The chartered bank said Tuesday the economy will barely eke out one per cent growth during the current third quarter that ends Sept. 30, and end the year with a 1.8 per cent overall advance.

That's three-tenths of a point below the bank's previous projection in June, and also shy of the Bank of Canada's 2.1 per cent target.

TD chief economist Craig Alexander said the revision was necessary because global conditions have deteriorated and the domestic economy is also faring worse than expected, in part because of Ottawa's decision to tighten mortgage rules.

Alexander said Vancouver's housing market was actually cooling before the stricter mortgage rules went into effect July 9, but since then the real impact of the changes has been evident. On Monday, the Canadian Real Estate Association reported August sales of existing homes slipped 5.8 per

Quoted

"With no engine firing on all cylinders, economic growth is being held to a meek sub-two per cent rate and the jobless rate is stuck above seven per cent." TD Bank forecast

cent from July and were down 8.9 per cent from a year ago.

"That's what we were anticipating. We were saying that we would probably lose about five percentage points in sales and three percentage points in prices nationally," he said.

Aside from housing, most engines of growth have slowed or retreated in the past few months, led by exports but also including Canada's government sector, which has gone into deficit-reduction mode.

In July, Canada posted a record high trade deficit, with exports plunging 3.4 per cent in the face of soft demand in the U.S. and the strong dollar which makes Canadian shipments less competitive.

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JUST SAYIN'
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No doubt you've been breathlessly following the Case of the Duchess's Nipples, in which the Duchess of Cambridge is photographed without her top on, and when the photos are published,

the top of her husband's head blows off.

The heir to the throne of England must be royally PO'd at the exposure of the crown jewels, especially so soon after the exploits of his brother, Prince Harry the Indiscreet, refused to stay in Vegas.

Now again the headlines are dominated by the exposure of royal private bits, although in this case, the bits have been elevated from common to royal status, which doesn't seem to make them any less valuable to the paparazzi and their customers.

The people are divided: Some believe the duchess should keep her shirt on at all times, as befits her stuck-up station. Others think she should be able to let it all hang out while on vacation, at a private villa, hundreds of metres from a public road, without professional Toms peeping at her through powerful telescopic lenses.

Others are amazed that the royals, naked or otherwise, seem to spend an awful lot of time on vacation, underwritten by the long-suffering British taxpayers.

Missing so far is a discussion of William's feelings. We're all about feelings at Just Sayin', so here goes:

Let us remember that William and Harry's mom, Princess Diana, died while being pursued at high speeds by the paparazzi in a Paris traffic tunnel. No wonder he's furious about the invasion of his wife's privacy. It's happening again, and you and I can only imagine the grief and rage he must be feeling right now.

Like his mother, his wife is being turned into a target, a victim, fresh meat for the tabloids. Kate has done nothing to deserve such vulgar treatment — her behaviour as Junior Royal Superstar has been unassailable, and this is what she gets for playing the game.

If you were William, you'd want to make it stop. So it's not surprising he has filed for — and received — an injunction against the publication of the photos, or that he has sued the photographer.

Not that it will do him any good. The best he can hope for is a continuation of the uneasy truce he and his family enjoy with the British media, chastened and weakened as they are by the phone-hacking scandal. But like the shrunken empire, the truce does not extend beyond the English Channel.

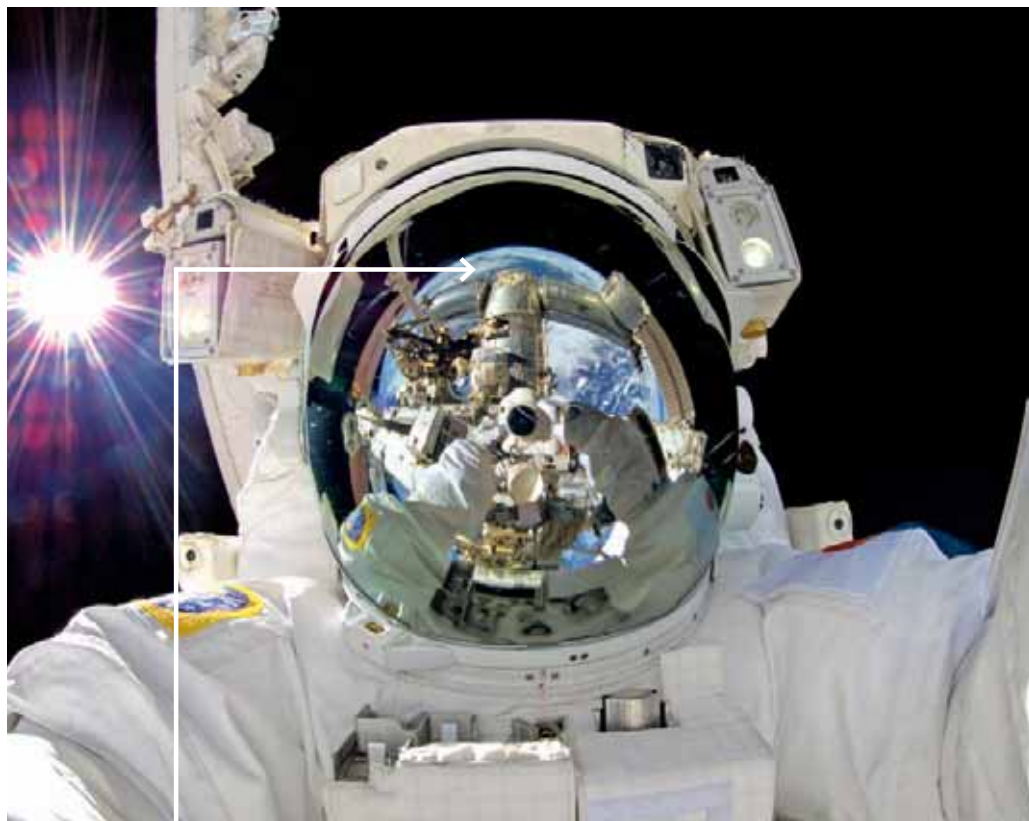
As anyone who reads this column (my family and copy editor?) knows, I'm not a big fan of the Royal Family. Talk about a feudal hangover. But I am a big fan of that endangered species, common decency.

Leave the poor woman and her family alone. Let her adjust her tan lines in peace.



The Duchess of Cambridge is seen visiting Assyakirin Mosque during a Diamond Jubilee tour of the Far East last week. The royals have sued the French magazine that published topless photos of Kate. TIM ROOKE/GETTY IMAGES

Good enough for Facebook?



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'Astro'-gram

Spaceman reflects with self-portrait

Everyone loves to take a self-portrait photograph of themselves, astronauts included. International Space Station astronaut Akihiko Hoshide, from Japan, took this stunning snapshot of himself earlier this month during a six-and-a-half-hour spacewalk outside the ISS. The photo was taken using a Nikon DSLR camera. **METRO**

ISS in numbers

370

kilometres was the approximate distance from Earth at which Hoshide took his snapshot on top of the International Space Station. He was travelling at roughly 28,000 kilometres per hour, the orbital speed of the ISS.

ISS maintenance

Toothbrush cleans more than just teeth

For Hoshide and colleague, NASA astronaut Sunita Williams, the spacewalk wasn't just a photograph expedition.

The pair had to properly install some bolts and fix an essential solar-power system, and resorted to some make-shift tools — including an improvised wire cleaner and a ordinary toothbrush — to help get the job done.

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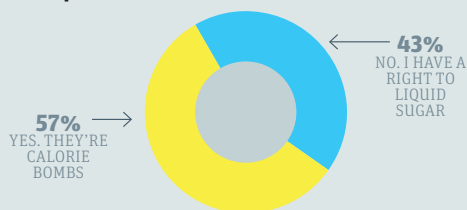
Expedition 32

- Three astronauts arrived safely in remote Kazakhstan after 125 days in space.
- Sunita Williams, who holds the record for the longest spaceflight by a woman (195 days), now in charge at ISS, is the second female commander in ISS history. She will return to Earth in November.



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Twitter

@Rajan16:

7 out of 8 days my roomie has worn his Canucks jersey. Tryin to make a #nhllockout statement? #ew #change! #needanewroomie

@andreareimer:

Council motions done: shark fin motion passes. Motion on festivals referred to Wed am. Now onto "what I did on my summer holidays" section.

@CBCSmart:

Transport Min Polak says she'd entertain changes to road tolling/vehicle levies/etc IF communities can show public is on-board. #cbc #bcpoli

@Kara_Lang:

Wishing I had three TVs right now. MNP vs ARS/ MCFC v RM / ACM v AND #overstimulation

@BrentButt:

I'm getting a tattoo on my forehead that says "This hurt like hell!"



Karl Urban stars as the dystopian supercop Judge Dredd in *Dredd 3D*. HANDOUT

Dredd 3D might make you a Belieber

Bloodbath. Gory movie's score stems from Justin Bieber song played 800 times slower

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Based on the cult British comic books, director Pete Travis's go-for-broke big screen bloodbath *Dredd 3D* is set to level theatres this Friday.

Starring Karl Urban (Doom, Lord of the Rings) as

the titular dystopian supercop, Judge Dredd, shielded by a mask and with full authority to execute evildoers, the film sets up its story like a classic western.

Once Dredd and his rookie sidekick Anderson (Olivia Thirlby) are trapped inside the Peachtree slum by the psychotic drug lord Ma Ma (Lena Headey in a ferocious performance) Dredd must fight for his life by mowing down hundreds of baddies out for his blood.

And though the film is jet black and brutally gory, it is not without its humor says writer Alex Garland (28

Days Later, Never Let Me Go).

"There is humor in Dredd," Garland told Metro immediately preceding its Toronto premiere at TIFF.

"He never smiles. But he does crack jokes. How Karl pitches and delivers that joke is the secret of the performance. He takes the piss. He has an ultra bone dry sense of humour."

Bloodshed, black humour and a bigger body count than Saving Private Ryan aside, there is a beauty and majesty to the film, a bleak poetry — especially evident in its balletic 3D design —

that is accentuated by a remarkable meditative electronic score by composer Paul Leonard-Morgan.

Surprisingly, that score stems from an unlikely source: Justin Bieber!

"Geoff Barrow from Portishead is a Dredd fan and he and over the years he'd been putting together music he wrote and put it together as an album called Drockk. Drockk is a swear word in the Dredd books. Anyway, when we were done shooting I showed Geoff an early cut of the film, and he pointed me towards this software he found that makes music run

800 times slower, just like the "slo-mo" drug does to its victims in the movie. He sent me a link to a Justin Bieber song slowed down 800 times and it became this stunning trippy choral music. The whole movie was temped to Justin Bieber, in fact. Paul recreated that Bieber music on his own and slowed it down 800 times and we use that in the movie."

To hear that original Bieber temp music, go to YouTube and search "Justin Bieber 800%". And then get out to a theatre to have your mind further blown by *Dredd 3D* this Friday.

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Shaun White

White face plants after rough night out

Snowboarder and Olympic gold medalist Shaun White was reportedly arrested for public intoxication in a hotel in Nashville, according to TMZ, though he was briefly hospitalized before heading to jail.

White reportedly trashed his hotel room, and

when hotel staff confronted him, he set off several fire alarms and attempted to flee on foot, eventually falling and sustaining a head injury.

After receiving medical treatment, he was booked on counts of public intoxication and vandalism.



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The Word



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THE WORD
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Author E L James knows who she wants in the film adaptation of her bonkers-popular 50 Shades trilogy, but she's still not telling. We have a few suggestions:

CHRISTIAN GREY

1. Alexander Skarsgård

Eric the vampire gets my vote to play the billionaire playboy but will he accept the nomination? The role would make Skarsgård a household name, but might be too low-brow for the actor with a serious career.



2. Ian Somerhalder

Yes, another vampire, the one from Vampire Diaries. Somerhalder's name has been thrown around more than most others.

3. Philip Seymour Hoffman

Wildcard!

ANASTASIA STEELE

1. Emma Watson

She can already carry a huge franchise and she's chomping at the bit for more "adult" roles.

2. Anna Kendrick

As witnessed in Up in the Air, Kendrick plays young and vulnerable extremely well, you are the state lottery,

3. Betty White

Just another peg in Betty White's eternal global domination.



Kate Middleton

Royals awarded injunction for topless pics

Kate Middleton and her husband, Prince William, have won their first court victory in the wake of Closer magazine publishing topless photos of Middleton, according to the Guardian.

A French court has ordered an injunction preventing any further use of the images by the publication. The photos must

be handed over within 24 hours, and the magazine's publishing company will be fined \$13,000 a day if it publishes more of them or sends them to a third party. A criminal investigation has been launched to see if the magazine violated William and Kate's privacy by publishing the photos. A guilty verdict could lead to jail time for Closer's editor.

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Disney characters keep the kids entertained. PHOTOS: HANDOUT



Get some quiet time at the adult pool.



Nightly entertainment gets the family involved.

Children

Morning Infants and toddlers are welcome at Flounder's Reef Nursery and children between ages three and 10 are treated to crafts, games, dancing, science experiments and face painting in the Oceaneer club or lab.

Afternoon Tweens between the ages of 11 and 14 have their very own hangout called Edge, where they can play video games and learn about animation or how to cook their favourite meals.

Evening Night owls between 14 and 17 years old can hang out at Vibe until the wee hours with tons of activities to keep them entertained including Guitar Hero, singing karaoke and trivia games. Movie buffs can head down to the theatre to see films in 3D.

Adults

Start the day with a relaxing hot stone massage, soothing facial or therapeutic seaweed wrap at the ship's Vista Spa. Discounts on various treatments are offered daily. If watching your waistline is important, the ship's gym features the latest equipment, exercise classes and personal trainers. Prefer the outdoors? There's a track and three laps around the ship equals one mile.

Grab a beach towel and settle in on a deck chair at the Quiet Cove Pool, which is for passengers over 18. A private bar for adults is poolside and servers are only too happy to whip up your favourite cocktail. Another popular spot is the Cove Cafe, where you can sip a gourmet coffee while reading a magazine or simply enjoy the ocean view.

Dining at Palo is worth the splurge. This adults-only restaurant is on the ship's top deck and the menu features scrumptious northern Italian cuisine. Be sure to make a reservation and pack a formal outfit as this meal will be your dining — and perhaps even your cruise — highlight.

The whole family

It's difficult to focus on pancakes when Mickey, Minnie, Pluto and friends are posing for photos with each guest at their table during the character breakfast. Often the first time children get to meet their favourite Disney character in the flesh, it's a special moment that will create a lasting memory, so don't miss out.

Hit the pool deck for a chance to swim while watching a classic Disney movie on a gigantic outdoor television screen. With the kids entertained, parents can relax on a nearby lounge chair or tuck into a good book.

From pirate-themed dance parties on deck to award-winning productions in the ship's theatre, the nightly entertainment on board a Disney Cruise Line is a must-do for families. The shows feature popular characters including Peter Pan and Ariel and depict the classic themes that made Disney a household name.

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Beer and wine will be on the menu when the Magic Kingdom's new restaurant opens later this year in Disney's Magic Kingdom

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Brooklyn festival a literary draw for book lovers of every kind

Writing hotbed. Authors and bookworms converge on New York borough to celebrate words

The Brooklyn Book Festival, scheduled for Sept. 23 and now in its seventh year, has rapidly become one of the top events of its kind in the United States, with 280 writers taking part, including A-listers like Mary Higgins Clark, and crowds expected to approach 40,000.

The festival's success has earned it comparisons with more established book fairs in places like Los Angeles, Miami, Washington and Austin, Texas, but its buzz is partly due to Brooklyn's latest incarnation as a trendy hotbed of hipsters and artists. The borough is home to many well-known contemporary writers like Martin Amis, Jhumpa Lahiri and Jonathan Safran Foer.

As it does every year, this year's schedule includes some writers with Brooklyn connections, like Colson Whitehead and Paul Auster, who live here; Pete Hamill, who was born in Brooklyn and is receiving an award at the event called Best of Brooklyn, Inc.; and Edwidge Danticat, whose fiction about the Caribbean often portrays the immigrant community in Brooklyn.

But while organizers are proud of the borough's literary prowess, they also stress that "the Brooklyn Book Festival is

Tony Danza, whose new book, *I'd Like to Apologize to Every Teacher I Ever Had*, recalls his year teaching at Philadelphia's largest high school, and Jimmie Walker, who starred in the TV sitcom *Good Times* and wrote a memoir called *Dyn-O-Mite*. In a phone interview about his upcoming appearance, Walker said fans who come to his book events love to "talk about the show — they grew up with it."

The festival is also committed to programming that reflects Brooklyn's diversity. Many events have an international flavour or explore serious themes. This year, one session focuses on African novels with child narrators and another features leading Indian writers. Two events honour the 50th anniversary of independence in Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago, with one curated by Jamaica's legendary Calabash literary festival, and the other presented by Trinidad's groundbreaking Bocas literary festival. Another seminar looks at poetry and narratives in light of the Arab Spring, while Isabel Wilkerson will talk about her book, *The Warmth of Other Suns*, about the 20th century migration of African-Americans from the American South to the North. There's also an extensive schedule of children's workshops.

The festival takes place Sept. 23, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.,

Literary legacy

For book lovers who can't make the festival, the borough is a good destination for a literary pilgrimage any time, with a long history of local writers going back to poet Walt Whitman. Whitman worked at a Brooklyn newspaper in the 19th century and his poem *Crossing Brooklyn Ferry* is engraved in a waterfront railing at the foot of Old Fulton Street in Brooklyn's DUMBO section. Brooklyn has a lot of interesting literary spots: W.H. Auden and Carson McCullers lived in a commune at 7 Middagh St., Truman Capote lived at 70 Willow St., and Norman Mailer lived at 142 Columbia Heights. Other residents of Brooklyn at various points included Richard Wright, Marianne Moore, Thomas Wolfe, William Styron, and Arthur Miller.

"golden age" of a literary community, comparable to postwar Greenwich Village or Paris in the 1920s.

"Greenwich Village was the beating heart of literary New York at one time and in a way Greenwich Village moved to Brooklyn," Hughes said. "I know a lot of people hear that and say, 'Oh boy, that sounds like a lot of hype.' But I do think those comparisons are fair. It's sometimes hard to see the big sweep of history when you're in it. And it's

fashionable to roll your eyes at it. But I think it

was fashionable in Paris in the '20s to roll your eyes at it, too."

Why do writers move to Brooklyn? Yes, real estate is cheaper than in Manhattan, though the borough has plenty of million-dollar homes and apartments. But it's not just about paying the rent. "It's got the brownstones and the well-preserved streetscapes, many of them from the 19th century that have a real appeal, a sense of small town within the city," said Hughes.

"The neighbourhoods are very distinct from one another. The buildings don't crowd out the sky. There's less clamour. I think those things prove very attractive."

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in no way, shape or form just about Brooklyn," said Johnny Temple, chairman of the Brooklyn Literary Council and head of a Brooklyn publishing house called Akashic Books.

"We go out of our way to ensure the authors we invite appeal to everyone," said Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, one of the festival's founders. "They include intellectuals as well as authors that have greater mass market appeal and celebrities."

In addition to Higgins Clark and her daughter Carol, who is also a bestselling mystery writer, other authors on the roster range from Terry McMillan and Joyce Carol Oates to Judith Viorst and Sapphire. Celebrities taking part include actor

in and around Brooklyn Borough Hall in downtown Brooklyn, but related events will be held beginning Sept. 17 in other venues around the borough.

The festival started in 2006 and quickly grew to fill a void left by the demise of an annual Manhattan book festival called New York is Book Country. When that event ended, Markowitz recalled, "I said to myself, 'You know what, we're going to pick it up and make it bigger and better than it ever was in Manhattan.' We're already home to so many writers, it was a natural place to launch a book festival."

Evan Hughes, author of the book *Literary Brooklyn: The Writers of Brooklyn and the Story of American City Life*, says Brooklyn is experiencing a

It's a wolf-chase-bear world in northern British Columbia

Wild times. The Travellin' Canadian is treated to a special wildlife display on boat tour near Prince Rupert



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Having witnessed orangutans in the wilds of Borneo, and Koalas lounging in the trees in Melbourne, Australia, the wildlife in Canada almost seemed a bit tame to me, if you'll pardon the pun. That is, until I embarked on a non-descript little boat tour in a northern B.C. coastal town recently.

As we started out, the guides at Prince Rupert Adventure Tours informed us we may actually see a grizzly bear or two as we departed from quiet Cow Bay. The scene that actually unfolded could not have

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tacular. Not long into the tour through the beautiful inside passage, we quickly spotted countless bald eagles and seals frolicking in the surf.

Then, as we edged up to the shoreline in a remote area, things quickly started to resemble a National Geographic TV special.

There, just a few feet away on the sandy beach front was a giant mother grizzly bear calmly crushing clamshells with her powerful jaw, and then happily spitting the shell's contents to her two adorable and playful cubs.

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wolf slowly crossed a river, and edged closer and closer to the mother bear and her cubs as we all watched from our boat in stunned silence.

Then all in one motion, the lone wolf charges the mother grizzly and her cubs, chases them away, and proceeds to steal the newly shelled clam meat left behind.

Our boat guide later told us in 20 years on the tour, he'd never seen a wolf con-

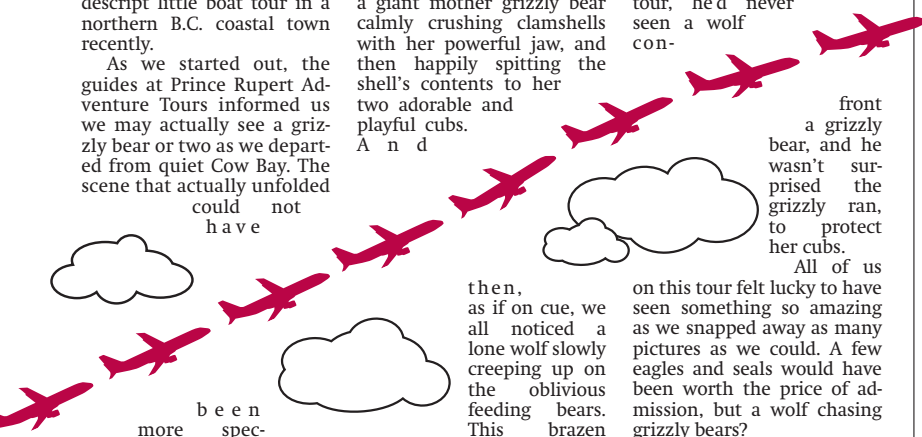
front a grizzly bear, and he wasn't surprised the grizzly ran, to protect her cubs.

All of us on this tour felt lucky to have seen something so amazing as we snapped away as many pictures as we could. A few eagles and seals would have been worth the price of admission, but a wolf chasing grizzly bears?

then, as if on cue, we all noticed a lone wolf slowly creeping up on the oblivious feeding bears. This brazen



A brave lone wolf was able to chase a bear family away from a feast of clams. DARREN PARKMAN



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historic holidays

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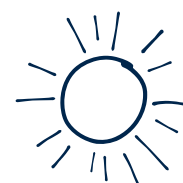
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September: Blue Crush

You aren't supposed to wear white after Labour Day, but that doesn't mean you have to retire the summer cocktails. It's going to be a long winter, so keep the patio vibe alive with this drink. It's a cousin to the ever-popular mojito, but looks more like the ocean at night.

In Collins glass, muddle small handful of blueberries with a few mint leaves and lime wedges. Fill with ice, and add:

- 1.25 oz Skyy Vodka
- 0.5 oz Xaica Hibiscus Liqueur
- 2 oz fresh, tart lemonade

Stir drink, and top with splash of dry sparkling wine (about 1.5 oz); garnish with sprig of mint.

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October: The Maple Heist

A sip of this deceptively simple drink, and you might understand why thieves stole \$30 million worth of syrup in August. There's still plenty in stores, though, which is something to be thankful for. And don't let the eggs and syrup combo fool you — we don't encourage drinking this at breakfast. (If egg whites weird you out, omit them.)

- 1.5 oz Gibson's Finest 100th Grey Cup Edition (maple rye whisky)
- 1 oz pure lemon juice
- 0.5 oz maple syrup
- 0.25 oz egg whites

Combine all ingredients in a shaker, and shake without ice. Add scoop of ice and shake again, and strain into a rocks glass. Garnish with cranberries that have macerated in simple or maple syrup.

November: Ginger-Pear Snap

People tend to be a little down about November. Even the hardest of Canadians are off the patios by now, but look on the bright side: It's whisky weather! It should also be a good time for locally-grown pears. Think globally, drink locally, right? The Wiser's Spiced has a vanilla flavour that goes well with the other flavours here, and makes for a cocktail that will appeal even to those who shy away from dark liquors.

In shaker, muddle lemon zest with a small pieces of peeled ginger. Fill with ice, add:

- 1 oz Wiser's Spiced Whisky
- 2 oz pure pear juice
- dash of simple syrup

Shake and strain into a Collins glass, and garnish with a slice of ripe pear.

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The science of the successful CV

Engineer a winning resumé. Recruits in this field want to see results, rather than a list of recent jobs

LEAH RUEHLICKE
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An effective resumé can make all the difference between landing an interview and getting tossed into the 'no' pile. However, knowing how to write one can be challenging, especially since each industry has different expectations.

If you're an engineering student ready to break into the workforce, check out these tips and tricks from a career advisor and an engineering student.

Show who you are and what you are passionate about
Tanya Gillert, a career advisor at the University of Waterloo, recommends including a brief overview about yourself using bullet points at the top of your resumé.

"Focus on what type of engineering you're apt in," she says, "and highlight not only years of experience and aca-



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demics, but something unique. For example, achieving a bronze medal after four years on the swim team showcases dedication and commitment," two qualities that employers may be looking for in new engineers.

Emphasize extra-curricular activities

"A lot of engineering students forget that soft skills are actually important . . . they matter a lot to employers," says Yi-Wei

Ang, president of the You're Next Career Network and an Industrial Engineering student at the University of Toronto who has worked at IBM and held leadership positions with a number of engineering-related student organizations.

"It's very common for engineering students to focus solely on their school work because their workload is generally heavier than in other fields," he says. "However, you can be working on your career-

building skills from day one. Spend some time figuring out what field you want to be in, how you'll get there, and how you can create your personal brand."

One of the best ways to do that is by participating in student groups and other extra-curricular activities and then using that experience to showcase your leadership, teamwork and communication skills.

Demonstrate results

Including specific accomplishments with as much detail as possible is also key, Yi-Wei says. For example, "Created original application for (name of program) using (name of software/tool) for (this purpose)."

Gillert agrees that engineering employers are looking to see results, not simply that you have three years experience at various placements. "Use words like 'increased', 'enhanced' or 'maximized', which show the end result of certain places you worked or projects you were a part of," she says.

Use keywords to strengthen your resumé

Keep in mind that most students or recent grads who are applying for a job will have similar experience and skill sets as

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it'll bring up all the related skills, which gives you all the keywords you need."

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Show your personality, but don't overdo it

As a future engineer, your resumé doesn't have to be super flashy or visually creative, but there are a few ways to show employers your personality.

Gillert recommends "including examples that really mean something to you, so when you have interviews you can discuss these experiences that you're passionate about."

Yi-Wei echoes this idea: "Cookie cutter resúmes will never help you stand out," he says. "You want to show an employer that you put in effort and tried to make yourself stand out without going too crazy on the layout." At most, use a different style of header at the top of the page.

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Hands-on before year is up

Co-op your way to a career. How to build the foundation of your future in engineering

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Working in a paid position to support the costs of university while gaining relevant work experience to add to your resumé makes co-op programs for engineering a win-win situation.

Alternating work terms with school terms, engineering co-op programs allow engineering students to get into the workplace and experience different roles while working toward earning their degree at the same time.

Why should engineering students do co-op?

Program coordinators and graduates alike are not short on praise for engineering co-op programs.

Sheenagh Brooks, co-op coordinator of civil engineering at the University of British Columbia strongly believes in the co-op program because it gives engineering students a chance to try out different fields before committing to one.

She says classroom education is only paper and theory, but co-op programs allow students to get out into the workplace where they can actually apply it.

"The main thing," Brooks says, "is they think they want to go on this route, but when they get out there and try it they realize (something else) is the type of work they really want to do. It makes them realize what they first wanted to do, they don't really want to do."

Co-op makes it possible to confirm these decisions in a very informed way. It also gives students an opportunity to network and improve upon



The figures are showing that engineering is no longer for boys only. ISTOCK

their interview skills before graduating.

Denver Jermyn, a graduate from the biological engineering co-op program at the University of Guelph, says the greatest benefit of co-op is "gaining experience and networking contacts before graduating. Most people graduate without any experience in their field at all, whereas I already had 16 months of work experience."

Training

Training in engineering co-op is usually "learn as you go," according to Jermyn, who worked in co-op positions such as a brewing assistant, surveyor for an airport and a consultant for the Canadian Standards Association, providing technical support to carbon management companies in Europe.

"Usually I had a supervisor who would delegate tasks and review all of my work before approving it," he says. "Training was pretty informal most of the time."

Will Fulcher, a graduate from the civil engineering program at the University of Waterloo, completed his co-op in fields such as engineering consulting as a lab technician, engineering design as a steel

manufacturer, construction management in commercial construction, and engineering management dealing with power generation.

He had similar training experiences: "The co-op programs didn't really have any formal training in my experience, but you acquire a new set of skills at each one. I found that what you get out of the jobs is up to you. The real benefit is working with people of your profession and learning from them what you can. I find that it is a day to day experience finding tasks

and learning how to complete them."

Work/life balance

Participating in co-op will add an extra year to your schooling, making it a five-year degree. The terms are generally four months of work and four months of class, sometimes back-to-back of the same. This means you will always be working or in school, which can be seen as a negative aspect when it comes to your social life and freedom, but definitely a positive one when it comes to your resumé and future career aspirations.

Jermyn says, "Co-op does involve more work, I had to take an extra course for co-op for one semester and then you are always job searching while trying to do school work at the same time, but in my opinion it is totally worth it."

He adds, "For engineering students, up to 12 months of your co-op work can count toward the 48 months of engineering experience you need to become a professional engineer. So that's also a bit of a bonus."

Careers after co-op

Brooks estimates that about 80 per cent of UBC's co-op students receive offers of employment from the firms they do their co-op with.

- Graduate Will Fulcher considers co-op terms to "have the potential of a four month interview. You are able to make connections and prove yourself through actions and a lot of companies hire students who are able to prove themselves during their co-op."

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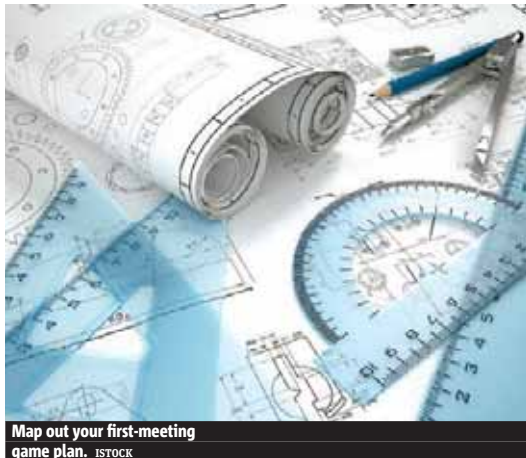
After making it through an intense undergraduate nanotechnology program complete with multiple co-op placements, Laura Burgess has learned how to engineer a great job interview.

In high school, she liked the idea of combining creativity and technical skill to solve complex problems. With a background in math and problem solving, Laura pursued this interest through the University of Waterloo's nanotechnology engineering program.

Burgess set to work learning about every tiny piece of technology, but when it came time to interview for co-op positions, she faced a big challenge. Like most university grads, her experience with job interviews was mainly limited to part-time positions and while her past helped her with the general process of going in and meeting with prospective employers, the content of the actual Q&A period varied dramatically.

Engineering interviews were a whole new ball game.

With help from Waterloo's Co-op and Career Services, Burgess trained up quickly. She learned that the



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major difference between engineering job interviews and other job interviews is the technical content.

"In an engineering interview, it is common to be asked to solve problems on the spot," she says. "This could be a question or two or a few pages of problems the interviewers want you to work through."

One of the biggest challenges she found when facing engineering interviews was the problem solving portion

— it is completely different than any other interview process and it involved complex problems that you can't always prepare for.

"Technical problem solving-type questions are definitely the most challenging," she says. "The rest you can prepare for very easily."

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Student Voice

Turning the waiting game into a win

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After my undergrad, I jumped at the opportunity to do a post-grad in copywriting advertising. I survived an intensive eight months of classes, assignments, projects, ad campaigns, presentations, critiques, rejections, praises, and a three-hour long commute every day. With a portfolio in my hand that still needed a lot of work, I was then ushered into the real world to gain some real copywriting experience through internships.

Needless to say, after tightening my belt for eight months with no room for a part-time job in my post-grad boot camp schedule, I did not look forward to another two months of unpaid work. I was grateful that my ex-boss invited me to take back my administrative assistant position while I job/career hunted.

After two months passed working as an administrative assistant, working on my book, meeting with a few agencies for critiques, and



applying for many internships, I faced the harsh reality of a burn-out. As a struggling wannabe junior copywriter, it was the scariest feeling to take over my mind. In my post-grad boot camp, we were told that we didn't have time for a burn-out and certainly writer's block was out of the question. You just can't have one because it could spell the end of your career. What career? I couldn't even get an internship!

So two months later, I write about this experience to tell you that even though that moment felt like the end of a dream, it wasn't. I put my pen down and closed my book, but it's only temporary. While my post-grad helped me prepare for a specific career, my undergrad built the foundation for a career beyond copywriting. The soft and hard skills I learned and developed over the years brought many unexplored paths and unopened doors.

I made it known that instead of hunting for a

copywriting internship, I was job hunting for a communications/marketing position. Support arrived beyond just close friends and family. I was really touched to find out how much my previous instructors, professors, co-workers, and employers wanted to help me.

For me, the waiting game is the hardest part of job hunting. It is the part where you relinquish decision-making to other individuals. It is the part where you have no control and no say. I appreciate rejection emails because that frees the pent-up mental energy of not knowing. I still don't have a new job/career that I want, but I at least have one that pays the bills. And I look forward to every new day because every new day is another opportunity to find more opportunities.

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But it can pay off, says Charmaine Courtis, executive director of student services at York University's Schulich School of Business.

"It helps you re-enter the workplace at a higher level and accelerates you in your career," she says. "The return on investment is quite high."

She says some of their students are there to become more skilled in their cur-

rent career. "They may have started as an accountant and want to move into a more strategic managerial level in an organization, so they take courses that will give them that skill set," Courtis says.

Others want to enter a specific industry.

"For example, we recently launched a new focus in global mining management," Courtis explains.

A full-time program lasts one or two years, and part-time studies can stretch it to three or four years.

Scott Comber, an assistant professor and director of Dalhousie University's corporate residency MBA program, says it can kick-start your career. Many of his students come straight out of their undergraduate degrees. The course teaches business practices, but it also prepares students with leadership skills in "human capital."

"Some of them have truly launched amazing careers as a result of it," he says.

Dalhousie's MBA program offers "pretty unbelievable" paid corporate residencies within the industry at real, entry-level MBA positions, Comber says. "Within six months, they're actually working in industry."

That can often translate into a post-MBA job. The average starting salary for Dalhousie MBA grads is \$67,000 and an MBA equals about 10 years of on-the-job experience. Other MBA programs make similar claims.

To get in you generally need a four-year undergraduate degree (it doesn't have to be in business), score well on the GMAT, and provide references as part of an academic portfolio. The university is not just looking at grades — Comber says Dalhousie also wants to see employability and coachability. — Jon Tattrie

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Mitch is achieving a lifelong dream, while Denise has done something she never dreamed she would.

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Mitch



Denise

able in my workplace and at home."

Denise has just completed the final course in her leadership major. Eighteen months ago, she was dropping her son off at TWU when she learned about the ADC program.

"Of course I wanted a degree, but I thought it's too late now — I'm 47, I don't really want to go to school with 18 years olds," she said.

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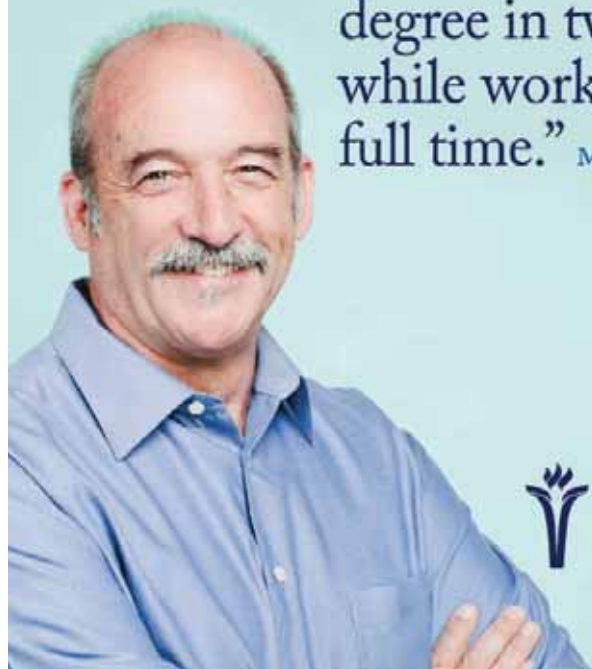
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When Juanita Lohmeyer decided to pursue her MBA she already had a diverse background in computer science and project management.

She had experience working in finance, operations, customer care, and research and development, but she was looking for something more.

"I've had a lot of practical experience around general business management and I wanted to get the educational side of things," says Lohmeyer, director of enterprise services at Insurance Corporation of British Columbia.

"It was one of the areas where I thought I would be able to use some of the theory to apply to the practical work I was doing."

Lohmeyer received her MBA through a combined program with Cornell University and Queen's University, and has never looked back. The financial courses she took while acquiring her MBA led her to also becoming a CMA with CMA-BC.

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The two distinctions have helped her immensely with her current role with ICBC. While the MBA provides the tools and framework to think about the issues she faces, the CMA assists her with the financial side of the business.

In addition to her work with ICBC, Lohmeyer also enjoys giving back. She is an adviser with Cornell-Queen's, special-

izing in the school's humanitarian efforts in countries such as Tanzania, Kenya, Chile, Brazil, India and Uganda. She is also part of a mentoring program at the University of British Columbia.

Lohmeyer says obtaining an MBA and/or CMA is a great path for anyone looking to further their business career, but says be sure to go about it for the right reasons.

"Make sure you're really clear about the time commitment and that they have support from the people around them," she says.

"Don't do it with the expectation of getting more money. It should really be about wanting to gain knowledge and better yourself."

Lohmeyer has been proudly named an honouree for the 2012 Government Technology Exhibition and Conference (GTEC) Distinction Awards Program under "The Next Generation Leadership" category within the provincial grouping. The awards recognize projects and individuals in public sector roles who have demonstrated leadership excellence in the innovative management and application of information technologies.

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After several successful years in Prince George, the University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) is expanding its MBA degree program to Vancouver.

According to Dr. Raymond Cox, MBA director at UNBC, the program will get underway in Vancouver in August 2013 and will run over a period of 21 months.

“Essentially, it will be run on one long weekend per month, so Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, but there are couple one-week periods at the very start and at the

end of the first year,” says Cox. “We’re only opening it up to one class in the first year so we’re looking at approximately 30 students to start.”

Even though the program takes place on a part-time basis, it’s actually classified by the Canada Revenue Agency in terms of tax credits and deductions as a full-time program, allowing students to remain employed throughout the duration of their studies. This is an exciting and viable option for those whose financial situation

demands an uninterrupted income while completing their degree.

The MBA program at UNBC’s Prince George campus has had a great reputation since its inception and, in turn, attracts students from all over Western Canada. For that reason, Cox says they decided to expand.

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CFL

No regrets for Lions' Mitchell ahead of rematch with Eskis' Rottier

Khalif Mitchell is expressing no regrets as he gets ready to face Simeon Rottier and the Edmonton Eskimos again.

The two are expected to clash Saturday as Mitchell's Lions (8-3) visit the Eskimos (5-6). The last time the B.C. Lions defensive lineman battled Edmonton, in a July loss at BC Place, he twisted Rottier's arm awkwardly after a play in the first half and received a two-game suspension.

"It's football — it happens," said Mitchell after practice Tuesday. "It was something that happened. I already was given a discipline and served it, so I'm not worried about it no more."

Rottier was immediately sidelined after the incident with an elbow injury but is now back on Edmonton's roster. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

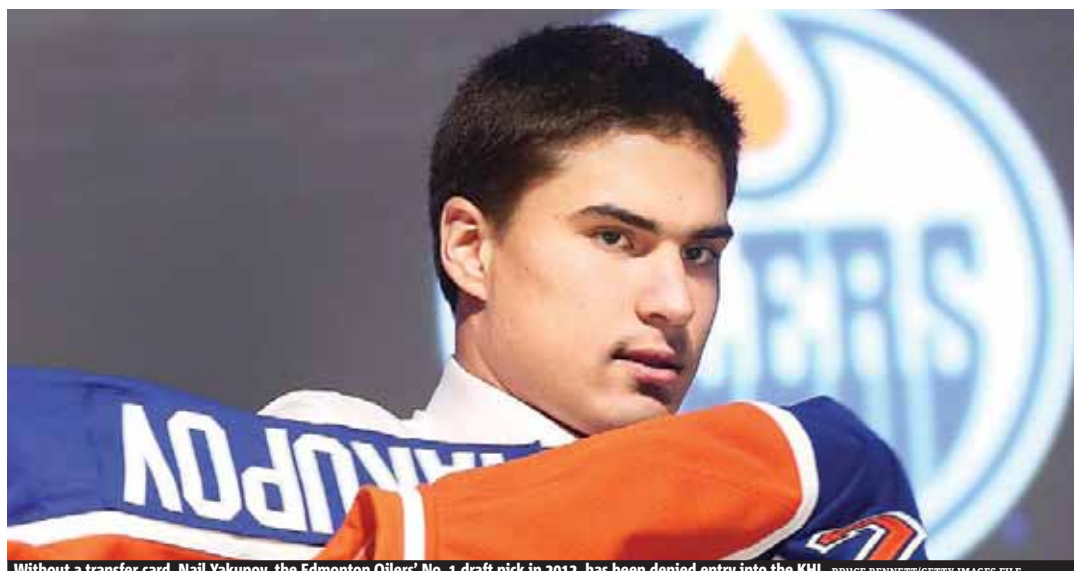


Lions defensive lineman Khalif Mitchell **THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE**

NHL

Panthers start laying off staff

The Florida Panthers announced the layoffs of an unknown number of staff members Tuesday, only the third full day of the NHL's lockout. The Ottawa Senators have also announced cuts to team staff. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Without a transfer card, Nail Yakupov, the Edmonton Oilers' No. 1 draft pick in 2012, has been denied entry into the KHL. **BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES FILE**

KHL acceptance not a given for top NHLers

NHL. First-overall pick in NHL 2012 draft has move to Russia delayed by red tape

Locked-out NHLers making their exodus to Russia and its wads of easy money hit their first road block on Tuesday: Transfer cards.

The IIHF failed to issue a transfer card to Russian Nail Yakupov, the first-overall pick in the 2012 draft and a member of the Sarnia Sting, so he could play with Neftekhimik of the KHL.

"The IIHF is not allowing Yakupov to play. The transfer card has not been sent from Switzerland (the IIHF headquarters)," Neftekhimik director Rafik Yakupov told Sovetsky Sport.

An IIHF transfer card is needed for any player par-

Returning home

Alex Ovechkin is expected to sign a lucrative deal with Moscow Dynamo, a coup for the ambitious Kontinental Hockey League.

- Formed three years ago with the help of Russian

President Vladimir Putin, the league has jumped at the chance to recruit some of the world's best players, hoping it would help the fast-growing league emerge from the shadows of the NHL.

ticipating in any tournament under the IIHF umbrella.

While Yakupov's debut in the KHL may only be delayed by what sounded like red tape, other NHLers may face the same problem now that they have begun their journey across the Atlantic.

There didn't seem to be any issues with Ilya Kovalchuk of the New Jersey Devils, who signed with SKA St. Petersburg. Kovalchuk, who inked a record 15-year, \$100-million US contract

with New Jersey in 2010, was expected to make close to \$8 million in St. Petersburg if he plays the full season for SKA.

He joined Evgeni Malkin of the Pittsburgh Penguins, who signed with Metallurg Magnitogorsk on Sunday, in the Russian-based league. Maple Leafs forward Nikolai Kulemin is also joining Magnitogorsk.

The Russian league has repeatedly stated that it wants to bring only the best

players from the NHL, imposing strict eligibility rules for those looking to move across the Atlantic.

To be eligible, a player must have either previous KHL experience, played no fewer than 150 NHL games over the last three seasons, or represented his country at one of the last two world championships or the Olympics.

Each KHL team is also restricted to signing only three NHL players, with Magnitogorsk, coached by ex-Maple Leafs coach Paul Maurice, becoming the first to use up its quota. Sergei Gonchar is also with Magnitogorsk.

Not everyone is going to Russia. Players from Quebec may set up some style of "Caravan" league, playing exhibition games for charity throughout the province, said agent Allan Walsh.

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4 SPORTS

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After a remarkable year on the links, world No. 1 Rory McIlroy is now "a marked man." "He's right now the present-day Tiger Woods," tour veteran Jim Furyk said ahead of this week's Tour Championship.

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A look at the allroad's rear.

2013 Audi allroad

- **Type:** Four-door, all-wheel-drive wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (211).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.4/7.4.
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** \$47,100.

Heavy on style

The allroad of today is a very handsome piece of work — arguably one of the best proportioned wagons on the market — from any angle.

The cats-eye-style headlight lenses stand guard over one of Audi's more massive grilles. As well, the darkened cladding extending along the sides and the lower portion of the rear bumper

neatly contrast with the body colour. The standard 18-inch wheels (19-inches are optional) fill the allroad's wheel arches almost to the brim. Ground clearance is 18 centimetres, which is 3.8 centimetres more than the outgoing A4 Avant.

That's certainly enough for more "allroad" conditions, but the car's real advantage is the permanently engaged all-wheel-drive.

Review. Same purpose as before, just in a totally different car

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Nostalgia ain't what it used to be — or so the saying goes — and that applies to Audi's 2013 allroad wagon that returns following an eight-model-year absence.

A lot has changed in the interim what with today's push to improve fuel performance and the subsequent powerplant downsizing by virtually every automaker. And so it is that the allroad (for some reason Audi doesn't capitalize it as a proper noun) re-enters the marketplace with the same degree of go-anywhere, all-wheel-drive Quattro swagger as before, but with a mere 211-horsepower 2.0-litre four-cylinder engine at its disposal.

Previous allroads offered a base 250-horsepower turbo V6, or 300 horses worth of optional

V8 to play with, along with a sorry-about-that concern toward fuel consumption.

Ah, but we're heading into 2013, where less is nearly always more, thanks to gigabytes of technological advancements.

For example, Audi states that the allroad (replacing the 2012 A4 Avant wagon) will accelerate to 100 km/h from rest in 6.7 seconds, much quicker than the V6 version circa 2005. The new model is also about 135 kilograms lighter and is rated at 10.4 l/100 km in the city and 7.4 on the highway, which is a darn sight better than the 14.8/9.4 rating that the last V6 allroad was tagged with.

Assisting in reducing consumption and maximizing overall performance is a standard eight-speed automatic transmission with manual shift controls.

The trim levels offer plenty of luxury options, but no matter how you outfit your allroad, the wagon's inspiring looks, performance and fuel efficiency will never have you longing for the nostalgia of the good ol' days.



The 18-inch wheels leave little fender-lip gap, which is a nice design touch. Despite its capabilities, the allroad thankfully doesn't have a jacked-up off-roader look.



Audis are all about giant look-at-me grilles and LED headlight accents.

By comparison



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The publicity of being on the Rubicon Trail is just as important as actually making it all 35 kilometres, from one end to the other. Photos like this show you that Jeep is tough, even if most buyers never set toe to a dirt road. CHRYSLER

Rubicon Trail keeps it real — and rocky

Auto Know. Letting it all hang out in an abyss of rocks and smashed off-roaders to prove just one point...

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Automakers test their vehicles in all sorts of climates and conditions to prove their worth and to get some publicity. When Dodge, Chevrolet or Nissan claim a quick lap at the Nürburgring race circuit in Germany, YouTube is buzzing with views of the videos. Of course, because it's an old and storied proving ground and the world's yardstick of speed.

But there's a proving ground that's older. Much older, actually. At 300 million years and counting, the Rubicon Trail quite literally rocks on.

Back then, various geological forces conspired to deform the land, eventually creating the mountainous landscape that has challenged anyone — or anything — fool-

ish enough to cross it on foot, horseback, wagon or automobile. To borrow a line from a well-known song, 'if you can make it here, you can make it anywhere'.

The Rubicon Trail has been a challenge to humans for hundreds of years. In recent times it has also become an extreme test of endurance for machinery.

Rigorous testing is an important step that car companies take to ensure their products are able to perform as claimed. Virtually all manufacturers have extensive laboratories and facilities that allow their engineers and designers to see if their latest concepts will work as well as they appear on their computerized drawing boards. Carefully controlled and monitored tests allow for a thorough scrutiny of engines, suspension systems and brakes, as well as other critical components before any approval for mass production.

But testing conducted out in the real world — the really rugged world, that is — is just as important to manufacturers as their own in-house experiments. That's why fleets of prototypes are wrung out in the brutally cold winters

of Northern Ontario as well as in the pavement-melting summer heat of the American south-west. Vehicles that can survive both extremes usually provide the kind of fail-safe performance that is expected of today's modern automobile.

For Chrysler's Jeep division, the final hurdle that extreme four-wheel-drive machines must cross is a stretch of rugged landscape known as the Rubicon Trail. The route begins a short distance north of Sacramento, Calif., and runs eastward through the Sierra Nevada mountain range until it reaches the western edge of Lake Tahoe near the California-Nevada border.

Although the Rubicon Trail winds for 22 miles (35 kilometres) through the protected areas of the Eldorado National Forest, it is most definitely not a walk — or drive — in the park. The mountainous region is considered to be the ultimate 4x4 challenge. Survive this excursion, and both you and your off-road motorized back-pack have accomplished an incredible feat.

Conquering the Rubicon was first accomplished by local Indian tribes hundreds of



years before any settlers arrived. The area was first surveyed in 1844 and became a route frequented by fur traders and miners shortly after.

But what put the Rubicon on the map was the discovery of a mineral springs in the area. This led not only to a thriving bottling and exporting business, but also brought in visitors looking to cure their various ailments. This eventually led to the construction of a hotel at Rubicon Springs. But by the 1920s, this once-flourishing attraction had lost its appeal and was eventually abandoned.

Back then, just like today,

travellers heading into the Rubicon valley were forced to endure one of the harshest and most unpredictable trails around. Each spring and summer, the retreating ice and snow from the Sierra Nevada significantly alters the man-made path, moving rocks and boulders, creating washouts from streams that become torrents due to the mountain run-off and generally creating a new set of obstacles for the back-country set to overcome.

However, one generation's hardship is another's pleasure. Since 1953, the Jeep Jamboeree, made of a collection of hardy, modern-day fun-seekers, has taken its four-wheel-drive vehicles along the Rubicon Trail on a once-a-year motorized camp-out and rite of passage. The advantage of travelling convoy-style is that someone is always around to help ... or to help get more help.

Aside from this group, numerous motorcycle and all-terrain vehicle riders hit the trail, particularly on weekends during the summer months (the Rubicon is closed to vehicular traffic during the winter) when the area is swarming with prospective conquerors.

Part of the Rubicon's nature is that the trail is apt to rear up and bite at the first opportunity. Many an undercarriage has been damaged, bodywork smashed and kidneys bruised in the attempt to tame what passes for a trail. Nothing larger than the current-model Jeep Wrangler series is recommended for the Rubicon and anyone ignoring this advice usually winds up with some expensive and warranty-voiding damage by the time they make it to the end of the trail at Lake Tahoe (if they complete it at all).

Jeep-sponsored Jamboorees take place throughout the United States and Canada each year. These events have been an excellent marketing tool for the company to demonstrate the strength of its products and to stay connected with what it hopes will be a loyal base of customers.

With breathtaking mountain scenery and equally breathtaking moments attempting to traverse a variety of naturally-produced obstacles, the Rubicon Trail provides one of the greatest all-time off-roading thrills to be found anywhere.

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Do English cars make you “chuffed to bits” or do they make you “throw a wobbly?”

If you're like most car enthusiasts, it's probably both and that's likely the predominant pull of English cars. No other country has produced such a diverse array of vehicles to behold, and such a number of “quirky” ones, which can be simultaneously loved and hated at the same time.

That was my thought, at least, last Sunday, when I found myself at yet another British Car Day at Ontario's Bronte Creek Provincial Park (situated about halfway between Oakville and Burlington). It's billed as the largest one-day all-British car show on the continent, and on that point you'll get no argument from me.

By my reckoning there



British Car Day at Bronte Creek Provincial Park in Ontario welcomes lovely roadsters, like the Triumph TR3, and “others” like the Unicar and the Mini Pickup — as long as they're British. CONTRIBUTED

were at least 1,000 examples of Anglo iron on the park's grassy fields — everything from Rolls Royce to Austin to Lotus to Allard to MG to Land Rover to Morris to DeLorean to Jowett to Triumph to... well you get the idea.

But after a full day of enjoying the diversity and contradictions, I drove home with the nagging question: What is it about the English (and by extension the English auto industry) that made

them go this way, to try so many different and wonderful tacks on the vehicle form?

I have my own theories but thought I should pick the brain of a Kevin “Crash” Corigan, a fellow auto scribe who happens to be very British. Not sure where he exactly hails from in Britain, but my guess would be somewhere around Monty Python.

Anyways, we both believe a large part of it comes

from the British tendency to “tinker” and to not leave well enough alone, to work away happily on something alone, or in small groups. This manifests itself in the large automotive “cottage industry” in England, past and present, where small firms populate the landscape, and provide a wide array of kit cars, repli-cars, specialty cars, exotics, racing cars, etc.

It seems everyone in Britain with an automotive

vision will inevitably “have a go” at some point, trying to make their vision a manufacturing reality. Sometimes they work out brilliantly and for the long haul, like Jaguar, Lotus and McLaren, and sometimes they don't, like Apollo, Bond, Falcon, Guyson, Marcos, Sheen, Unicar, and so on. Either way it's win-win for people that love cars.

Crash suggested that this type of auto entrepreneur,

possibly a “milkman with passion to create a car,” is a less common sight in the North American industry, which seems populated more by “the industrialist type.”

I'm sure there are other reasons the English industry developed the way it did, but we're out of time.

Crash has to find a larger amp fuse to put in the Land Rover, and I have to slide another drip tray under the Jaguar.

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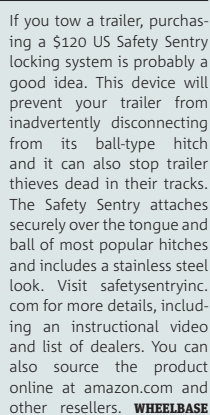


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Discs versus drums: Which brakes are the best?

Driving Force.

Both utilize friction, but the newer option may be the better one

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Although the basic principles of car brakes haven't changed in more than a century, there have been steady improvements ever since. One of the more recent is the adoption of four-wheel disc brakes on many less-expensive models, replacing drum brakes on the rear wheels.

"The primary benefit to drum brakes is in the cost," says Michael Ricciuto, national manager of product and strategic planning for Hyundai Canada. "Drum brakes are fairly inexpensive to manufacture, but they heat up very quickly."

Disc brakes use metal rotors, which are located behind the wheels, and which turn with them. Over each disc is a metal bracket, called a caliper, which holds two brake pads, one for each side of the rotor. When you press the brake pedal, the caliper squeezes the pads against

the rotor, slowing and then stopping it. (Imagine putting a pencil through the hole of a CD, spinning the disc, and then grabbing it with your fingers to stop it: that's how disc brakes work.)

Drum brakes also use friction to stop the vehicle, but they have heavy metal drums that turn with the wheels, with internal pads that push out against them to stop them from spinning. Because they're enclosed, they tend to hold friction heat, which can reduce their performance if they get too hot. All modern vehicles have disc brakes on the front wheels, which do about 70 per cent of the vehicle's total braking, but the rear wheels can have discs or drums, depending on the model.

"With drums, you're limited to the surface area you have to stop the car," Ricciuto says.

"There are two sides to the disc, so you double your surface area, plus you can make the disc bigger and increase the size of your pads."

"We put (four) disc brakes on our Accent, our entry-level car, because the braking is more linear and progressive, and has a much more natural feedback. For us, the overall performance is important."

Brakes talk

- Since brakes work by friction, the pads eventually wear down. Replacing them as soon as they are needed will reduce the risk of more expensive brake repairs.
- Have your brakes checked any time they make a grinding or squealing sound, or a continuous squeaking noise that goes away when you press the brake pedal. Also have them checked if the pedal goes closer to the floor than usual, or if the car pulls to one side when braking.
- High-performance brake discs often have holes or grooves cut into the rotors, to dissipate heat even faster.



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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20
No matter how good the deal you are being offered, you must think twice about it. In fact, the more others say it is an opportunity that is too good to miss, the more likely it is they're trying to trick you.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21
You can either go along with what other people expect of you, merely to keep them happy, or you can do what your conscience tells you is right, even though it might put friendships at risk. Only you can decide.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21
You are torn between doing what you know to be right and doing what others expect you to do. Only you can decide which route to take, but maybe just this once you should be a bit selfish.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23
The higher you climb, the more it will hurt if you fall. So, don't take anything for granted and don't take risks that can easily be avoided. Actions always have consequences, so wise up and go with the odds.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23
You may wish you were somewhere else at the moment but you're not. You are where you are, and you have no choice but to see through what has been started. Be brave. It won't be as bad as you fear.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Your plans seem a bit vague at the moment but maybe that's no bad thing. Travel and social activities are likely to suffer from last minute setbacks today, but if you expect them they won't annoy you so much.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You would be wise not to make any decisions about what you own and what you earn. Things are unlikely to be as bad as they seem, so calm down and keep telling yourself that better days are coming soon.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Try not to be too pushy today because other people are unlikely to stand for it. Uranus, planet of changes, at odds with your ruler Pluto means that upheavals are inevitable. But who says they won't be good?

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You won't be much in the mood for socializing today. Don't let your friends persuade you that getting out and about will do you good, because it won't. Curl up on the sofa with a good book for company.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Even best friends have days when they don't get along and with major planets in discordant positions right now, there may be harsh words. Take none of it seriously.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You may think that a change of direction is what you need but you are advised not to make any moves yet because the planets are playing havoc with your ability to think straight. Minor adjustments only please.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20
Because you are bored, you may go over the top and do something outrageous. The consequences could be anything but amusing. Give yourself a challenge but make it one where you don't have to interact with other people.
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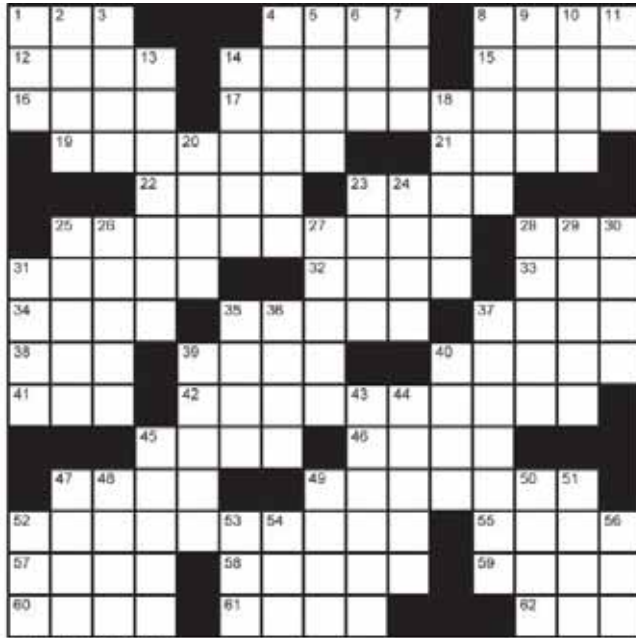
Crossword: Deja Vu

Across

- Cheat (someone out of something)
- Horn honk
- Freeway exit
- Homer Simpson's favourite bar
- As ____: usually (2 wds.)
- One of the Great Lakes
- Foot covering
- Canada's government
- One of the Great Lakes
- Where to find 7-Down
- Boxing decisions, in brief
- Circle around
- Grammy and Juno award winning French-Canadian singer (2 wds.)
- "Ten-hut!" yell: Abbr.
- Place of refuge
- Salesmen, for short
- ____ la la
- Breezed through, as an exam
- Architectural drawings
- Place of refuge
- Prohibition
- Hockey disk
- Canter and gallop
- [Help!]
- Efforts
- Chooses
- Perjurer
- "____ oui!": certainly (Fr.)
- Exchanged, as words, or, with "out," kicked around
- Rainfall unit
- Academic challenge
- Ballet bend
- Rock band rhythm providers

Down

- Chevys and Cads
- BC National Park adjacent to Banff National Park
- Lowly worker
- Cook slowly in a covered pot
- Currency of France or Italy
- House wing
- Maritime Province: initialism
- Chart again
- Greek counterpart of Mars (god of war)
- After-dinner candy
- Animal kept for companionship
- Cleared one's debts
- Culinary garb
- A long, long time
- Closely related (to)
- Property claim held by a bank
- "Uh oh"
- Bean from which chocolate comes
- Becomes balanced, with "out"
- Admiral Sir Francis who circled the world in the 16th century
- Escalator alternative
- Liberals, familiarly
- Blackens the road
- Montréal skaters, in the sports pages
- Football kick



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- Digital readouts
- PM Wilfrid
- Coke alternative
- Drive onward
- Anti-theft-system components, often
- Jungle growth
- Edmonton NHL team member
- 1,609 meters
- "I cannot tell ____": George Washington (2 wds.)
- A/C capacity measures
- Crossed (out)
- TV host Letterman
- Canadian pols
- Drs.
- A time to remember
- Chess or checkers pieces

Yesterday's Crossword



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